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CAIRO HOLDS SECURITY C'TEE SESSION

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Cairo last night was silent on the outcome of President Anwar Sadat's meeting with the Egyptian National Security Council which was *summoned at short notice to discuss* the country's military and political situation.

In contrast to previous such meetings, Cairo radio networks made no mention of yesterday's session, which lasted for several hours.

Earlier in the day, the Council was reported to have heard a political report from Foreign Minister Mahmoud Riad and a military one from War *Minister General* Mohammed Ahmed Sadek. The latter reviewed the military situation along the Egyptian front and Syria, where he inspected that country's armed forces last week.

Mr. Riad was believed to have concentrated on the latest political developments in the Middle East crisis following the U.N. General Assembly's recent debate on the conflict, and in particular, the U.S. assessment of the situation as presented by Secretary of State William Rogers to Mr. Riad and Foreign Minister Abba Eban in telephone conversations over the week-end.

The Egyptian Cabinet is due to meet tomorrow noon under the chairmanship of Premier Mahmoud *Fawzi while more meetings are ex*pected to take place before Sadat lays down his future policy before *the end of the year. He had set* this date as a deadline for deciding the Middle East crisis "by peace or war."

Sadat was believed to have reached his decision on the situation at a meeting *earlier this month with* the Central Committee of the Arab Socialist Union, Egypt's sole political party. In the meantime, however, he has been confronted with several factors affecting whatever decision he had made about Egypt's conflict with Israel. These include the existence in the Egyptian hierarchy *of two groupings*, with one advocating the resumption of fighting and the other urging *further political efforts. The latter* element is being encouraged in its line by the recent U.N. resolution which called for the reactivation of the mission of Dr. Gunnar Jarring, and by the renewed initiative of the U.S. to achieve a partial settlement aimed at reopening the Suez Canal.

But with Sadat *seen now heading* towards further coordination with the Arab states he might find himself involved in internal Egyptian impatience for a decisive move before the end of this month — as he had often pledged. In avoiding this, he might find himself faced by domestic challenges, such as that which occurred last May when he launched a crackdown on his opponents, led by former Vice-President Ali Sabry and War Minister General Mohammed Fawzi.

Meanwhile, the Soviet Union is believed to be playing a major role in shaping Sadat's next moves. Last week's pledge of support for Egypt by Soviet Ambassador Vinogradov was repeated yesterday by a Soviet parliamentary delegation on a seven-day visit to Beirut. The delegation was quoted by the Egyptian Middle East News Agency as saying that Russia will remain "behind the Arabs" if they had exhausted all peace efforts and found themselves "compelled to implement the Security Council resolution."

The Soviet pledges of support are expected to be taken up at Wednesday's *summit meeting in Cairo* between the heads of state of Egypt, Syria and Libya, who are partners in a *tripartite federation*, and on Monday at the conference of Arab Foreign Ministers who will prepare for a pan-Arab summit.

Cabinet reviews new U.S. moves

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The latest U.S. moves towards resumption contacts for a special Suez Canal accord were briefly reviewed by Prime Minister Golda Meir at the Cabinet session yesterday.

Mrs. Meir, who is also Acting Foreign Minister, briefed her colleagues on the telephone conversation between Secretary of State William Rogers, in Washington, and Foreign Minister Abba Eban, in New York, and the meeting between Assistant Secretary of State Joseph Sisco and Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin, in Washington, both last Friday.

She also reported on the contents of the conversation between Mr. Eban and U.N. "peace envoy" Dr. Gunnar Jarring, in New York. The Prime Minister had discussed her own talks in Washington earlier this month at a special Cabinet meeting held last Wednesday, following *her return from the U.S.*

The Cabinet was now expected to start discussions of Israel's position on the new diplomatic initiatives next Sunday, after Mr. Eban's return to the capital tomorrow.

Sources here said yesterday it was still premature to speak of any formal U.S. proposals for renewing the talks on an agreement to reopen the Suez Canal. American efforts *so* far have been more in the nature of general explorations of the attitudes of the parties, and of possible avenues *for negotiations.*

Big demand for dollars due today

LONDON (Reuter). — The dollar is expected to become the most popular currency in the world when foreign exchange markets reopen following the Group of Ten's decision *to realign leading currencies.*

Government and financial circles generally welcomed Saturday night's announcement, in which the 10 leading industrialized non-Communist countries, meeting in Washington, said the dollar would be devalued by 7.9 per cent and other leading *currencies would be realigned.*

The price of gold was raised by 8.57 per cent per ounce, from $35 to $38, *and the U.S. 10 per cent import* surcharge, imposed on August 15, was scrapped. (Full story — page 3).

However several countries, notably Japan, Britain, France and Italy, ordered their foreign exchange markets closed today until results of the move can be studied and other countries, such as West Germany, said their markets might be closed.

In London, a massive switching from sterling into dollars is expected when the market reopens. Dealers forecast that the U.S. currency would now become the most wanted *in the world.*

During the four months of the world currency crisis, which led to *the Group of Ten decision, millions* of dollars flooded into London to be changed into sterling which became the most popular currency buy.

Some London market men were a little uneasy that Britain might have conceded too much in agreeing to the new sterling/dollar rate. Chancellor of the Exchequer Anthony Barber said in Washington that pending completion of the currency alignment deal, Britain will declare a middle rate of 2.6057 against the *dollar, compared with its previous* rate of 2.400.

In Bonn, the West German government welcomed the agreement and Chancellor Willy Brandt's chief economics adviser, Karl Otto Poehl, said "hot" dollars were expected to flow out of the country as a result of the realignment.

Thousands of millions of speculative dollars flooded into West Germany causing acute inflation and compelling the Government to float the mark on May 10.

Before the flotation the rate was 3.66 marks to the dollar. The realignment was hailed with relief in Bonn where it had been feared that the mark would come off much worse in the general reshuffle.

In Tokyo, reaction to the yen's massive revaluation by 16.88 per cent, the highest margin of any

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The following are the middle parity rates of the Group of Ten currencies against the dollar under the new exchange values structure:

Belgian franc	4.81
German mark	3.223
French franc	5.116
Italian lira	581.5
Japanese yen	308
Dutch guilder	3.245
Swedish crown	4.813
Swiss franc	3.85
Pound sterling	2.605

DOLLAR DEVALUED

AT long last a clear realignment of currencies has been achieved, and the world can go back to the security of fixed exchange rates. Moreover, the new rates cheapen American products — though not for Israelis — and make the German and Japanese ones more expensive, to a degree that can be expected to protect the U.S. foreign trade balance even without the heartily resented 10 per cent import surcharge. The removal of this protectionist device will serve as an introduction for better understanding on other international issues. The financial statesmen of the ten "rich" countries are likely to attend their Christmas parties in a cheerful mood.

However, their achievement at the Washington meeting should not be exaggerated. What has emerged is a compromise, *arrived at after* hard bargaining, since it will not solve any basic problems, though it does buy time for solving them. The new rates are not fully floating in response to market forces, but they are to be more flexible than the old ones. Nobody believes any longer that in future exchange rates will not be adjusted whenever a Government finds it convenient to do so. We may therefore expect international trade and investment to *continue to* be affected by currency speculation, and the controls that have been widely introduced to check the ebb and flow of "hot money" are likely to remain with us.

No end is in sight at present to the trade conflict between the U.S. and the E.E.C., each of which is accusing the other of violating both the letter and the spirit of GATT. One may also wonder how general economic prosperity is to be maintained in future without the pump-priming of the huge American balance-of-payments deficit which began to be taken far granted during the past few years.

In retrospect it now seems obvious that the present agreement could have been arrived at much earlier had not the participants clung stubbornly to claims that had long since become untenable. It was the U.S. which had overplayed its hand in the most spectacular manner, in economic as well as political matters, and which as a result had to do the most climbing down. It is not yet clear whether President Nixon will succeed in his double aim of remodelling the American economy and also avoiding new inflationary pressures. The contention that world finance was virtually on a dollar standard was taken for granted a very short time ago, but is less certain now. The standard to be applied in the future evidently depends on the degree of economic and political integration in Europe and elsewhere.

*The effect of the general cur*rency realignment on the Israel economy is likely to be favourable because it amounts to a revaluation against the non-dollar currencies, offering a price advantage to our exports to the Common Market. To be sure, imports from the market countries will become more expensive, but that can in part be avoided by shifting purchases to the U.S. Whether we are able to make use of the new opportunity will depend on our labour mobility, that is on the resources we can set free in order to make use of the new situation.

Yahya to hand over his post today

RAWALPINDI. — An official spokesman said here last night that President Yahya Khan had decided to resign his office as soon as he hands over power to "the representatives of the people" today.

There were no further details, but Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, was expected to arrive in Rawalpindi today by special plane from Rome to take over power.

A new constitution is due to be published today.

*The former Commander-in-Chief of the Pakistan Air Force yester*day joined the chorus of criticism *of Yahya, and led a procession through Rawalpindi with people yelling "Hang Yahya."*

(During a brief stopover in London, after a flight from New York, Mr. Bhutto said the position in Pakistan was grim, and he was hurrying home "to help build a new world and a new country." He said the people had given him and his Peoples Party their confi*dence — "so far, we have been de*nied the role which the people want us to play." (He declined to comment on the position of President Yahya but said he would have plenty to say when he reached Pakistan.)

TRUCE HOLDS

President Yahya Khan, 54, has held office since March 25, 1969, succeeding President Mohammed Ayub Khan after months of internal crisis.

The cease-fire along the Western front was reported undisturbed yesterday as India apparently waited for the fluid political situation in Pakistan to stabilize before negotiations on issues raised by the war could begin.

Some political observers in New Delhi believe there is virtually a power vacuum in Islamabad, with the Pakistan Radio report that President Yahya Khan will resign today and uncertainty about the roles to be played by the Prime Minister-Designate, Mr. Nurul Amin, and the Foreign Minister, Bhutto, Pakistan's true political leader.

The observers said that India, with the military advantages it holds, could wait for the next move on the diplomatic front to come from Pakistan.

NO TALKS YET

A Foreign Ministry spokesman told reporters that no dates had yet been fixed for negotiations to settle issues arising out of the 14-day war, such as the repatriation of prisoners and territorial adjustments.

Indian leaders said repeatedly before hostilities started that India would not return any territory it might occupy in the event of war. And militant opposition leaders have already started to make that demand.

Indian officials said there had been no resistance in the east since the Pakistani forces there surrendered last week.

According to reports from Dacca, government offices there were ordered to open yesterday. Leading officials of the Bangla Desh Government had already arrived in the war-ravaged capital and had been ordered to report to their offices yesterday morning.

The Indian Army is understood

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Kiryat Shmona is hit by Katyusha

Jerusalem Post Staff

TIBERIAS. — A Katyusha rocket fired from Lebanon fell on Kiryat Shmona yesterday night. It caused no casualties and damage was only slight. It was the first Katyusha attack on the town in almost a year.

The rocket exploded in a street in a residential area, damaging a lorry and tearing telephone wires. Emergency services went into operation immediately.

In another incident, four plastic jerry cans filled with high *explosives were discovered by a* watchman at the water reservoir of Upper Galilee Kibbutz Yiftah, on the Lebanese border, on Friday morning. The explosives, enough to destroy the reservoir, were set to go off at 1 p.m. They were dismantled by a border police sapper.

The reservoir is situated about 200 metres outside the kibbutz compound and 30 metres from the border.

Indians see ties with Jerusalem

NEW DELHI (AFP). — Informed sources here said yesterday that diplomatic relations between India and Israel, *now* at the consular level, will soon be raised to ambassadorial level.

Agreement on such a move would reflect the dissatisfaction the Indian Government is showing towards the position taken by the Arab states during the dispute and war with Pakistan. The Arab states, especially Algeria, publicly supported the Pakistani side, referring to Pakistan as "the world's largest Moslem state." According to the sources, Israel was meanwhile secretly helping the Mukhti Bahini forces of Bangla Desh.

It was also noted here that Israel *had shipped more than half a ton* of medicines and drugs to aid the victims of the fighting.

Our diplomatic correspondent writes:

Informed sources in Jerusalem said they were unaware of any development that would indicate an imminent Indian decision to raise relations with Israel.

The possibility of such a move *has been under discussion almost* continuously during the past 20 years, ever since India recognized *Israel de jure*, in September, 1950, but sent no emissary to Jerusalem. Israel's friends in New Delhi have often expressed the hope that relations would be normalized by the exchange of ambassadors.

China lodges Indian protest

HONGKONG (AP). — China said today it had lodged a strong protest with the Indian Government against "Provocation by Indians" in *front of* the Chinese Embassy in New Delhi.

The official New China News Agency said the protest was lodged in a diplomatic note delivered by the Chinese Embassy to the Indian Ministry of External Affairs on Saturday.

The note said more than 100 Indians gathered in front of the Chinese Embassy Dec. 13 "to make provocations, frenziedly shouting anti-Chinese slogans and vilifying China, while Indian policemen looked on with folded arms without stopping them."

Bar-Lev warns Egypt:

Massive retaliation if civil targets hit

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Haim Bar-Lev, yesterday warned the Egyptians that if they "attempted to hit any civilian *targets* in Israel, we can retaliate in kind and with such force that they would quickly drop whatever plans they have. We can do this despite all their anti-aircraft defence installations, despite their Russians and despite their missiles."

The Chief of Staff expressed the hope that "we would never have to take any such drastic steps" and that the Arabs would be smart enough not to test us. I know that they have long-range air-to-ground missiles, but we have our answers for them — although it is impossible to guarantee that one rocket would not get through our defences. Still, I do not expect any massive missile strikes on any target."

Addressing a conference of development town mayors at the *Union of Local Authorities* headquarters here, the outgoing Chief of Staff said that, in his view, the odds are equal for the resumption of hostilities and for the continuation of the present cease-fire. He noted that "theoretically there is a possibility for a peace agreement as well, but practically the chances for contracting such a settlement are only very slightly more than nil."

If the firing is renewed, he said, there could be a full-scale war and "It would not be surprising if the Syrians joined in as well — although it would be no great surprise if they stayed put, either. The Israel army is ready for any eventuality, and not merely with a collection of plans on paper. Our strength has grown in the last year and a half, and there is no comparison between

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Dayan sees possibility of dialogue

TEL AVIV. — Defence Minister Moshe Dayan said on Saturday night that the treatment accorded to Ayal Ahikar, the wounded Israeli pilot repatriated last week, was an example of how an atmosphere of dialogue between Israel and Egypt could be created.

Speaking at a reception in aid of medical research, Mr. Dayan praised the *Egyptian medical personnel* who treated Ahikar, who was in captivity for one and a half years, and required constant medical *supervision* at all times.

"The achievement of peace requires less hate on the part of the Arabs and I believe that the Egyptian leadership will eventually decide to enter negotiations with us and go forward to peace," he said.

IL is still 4.20 to $

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

The Israel pound will continue to be traded at its existing value of IL4.20 to the dollar. This announcement was made yesterday, jointly by the Minister of Finance, Mr. Pinhas Sapir, and the Governor of the *Bank of Israel*, Mr. Moshe Zanbar. The value of the Israel pound in terms of other currencies will change as the dollar changes.

No quotations were published yesterday for these new currencies, since the European money markets are not open on Sundays. Outgoing Israel travellers could draw only dollars. Special arrangements were made for foreign tourists, allowing them to change banknotes and travellers' cheques up to a maximum of $100. Here are the exchange-rates offered for several of the leading currencies (we quote the selling price for these currencies at the banks):

	Yesterday	Last week
German mark	IL 1.32	IL 1.305
Pound sterling	IL10.75	IL10.70
French franc	IL 0.825	IL 0.790
Swiss franc	IL 1.12	IL 1.095
100 Belgian francs	IL 9.40	IL 9.30
Dutch florin	IL 1.305	IL 1.295

The changes are not substantial, because the floating rates of the various currencies had brought them close to the new parities now being fixed. What changes there are favour Israeli exports and raise the cost of imports, if only slightly.

Most notable shifts are in the pound sterling and the French franc, which up to recently were quoted at close to their former fixed values. Now they are several percentage points higher, making imports from these countries more expensive, and money transfers more beneficial to the recipient.

Official circles are optimistic, be-

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Social and Personal

The President and Mrs. Zalman Shazar yesterday received Mrs. Ada Maimon.

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The Minister of Finance, Mr. Pinhas Sapir, yesterday met with Israel Bonds leaders Dr. and Mrs. George Isaacson and Dr. & Mrs. Marvin Chamlin of Trenton, N.J., who presented the Minister with a Trenton pledge for $750,000.

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Mr. Aharon Ephrat, Mapam representative on the Histadrut Central Committee, has been appointed member of the Advisory Council of the Bank of Israel, replacing the late Eliezer Hacohen.

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The employees of the Religious Affairs Ministry yesterday gave a Hanukka party in honour of the new Director-General of the Ministry, Rabbi Simon Dolgin.

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Opera star Beverley Sills and family visited the Weizmann Institute of Science on Sunday and were luncheon guests of Institute Chancellor Meyer Weisgal.

50 labourers drown in Egypt

CAIRO (UPI). — Fifty labourers drowned near Aswan on Saturday when the trailer in which they were riding plunged into an irrigation canal, "Al Ahram" said yesterday.

Government officials said it was the worst accident of its type since the late 1950s when around 60 persons on a picnic drowned in the River Nile near Cairo when their boat capsized.

The newspaper said the labourers, who were working on a sugar cane project, were riding in one of two trailers being pulled by a tractor. The trailer became uncoupled and ran into the canal. Every person aboard the trailer was drowned.

U.N. resolution against Nazism

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — Over American and British opposition, the General Assembly has urged all countries to "prevent the activities of Nazi and racist organizations."

The Assembly adopted the resolution on Saturday by a vote of 89-2 with 21 abstentions. The resolution also condemned "all manifestations of the ideology and practice of Nazism and racial intolerance, wherever they may occur."

The U.S. and Britain voted against it after failing to have deleted from the resolution provisions requesting countries to ratify the convention against genocide and the convention against statutory limitations on war crimes.

U.S. to set up Abu Dhabi mission

ABU DHABI (Reuter). — A senior American official said yesterday that the U.S. is to establish a diplomatic mission in Abu Dhabi in the near future to represent the U.S. in the new Union of Arab Emirates.

The official, Roger Davies, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for the Near East and South Asia, arrived in Abu Dhabi on Saturday night at the head of a five-man delegation.

Informed sources here said the U.S. Ambassador in Kuwait will be accredited to the new union as well, and a charge d'affaires will reside in Abu Dhabi.

Meanwhile, Jordanian sources said that the Jordanian Government has received £870,000 in aid from Sheikh Said Ben Sultan, ruler of Abu Dhabi.

3 I.R.A. suspects die in bomb explosion

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (UPI). — Three suspected Irish Republican Army extremists — all teenagers — died when a bomb one was holding on his lap in a car exploded without warning, the Army said yesterday.

Their deaths, in a town near Londonderry, late Saturday, plus that of a 15-year-old apprentice barman earlier that day in a Roman Catholic-owned pub in Belfast brought to 202 the number of persons killed in British-governed Ulster since 1969.

The latest deaths came amid reports from police sources that the I.R.A. may be planning a pre-Christmas campaign directed at Catholic leaders in Northern Ireland.

PLACING THE BLAME

By aiming it at Catholics and opposition Social Democratic and Labour Party members of the Northern Ireland Parliament, traditional supporters of the republican movement, the I.R.A. would then attempt to place the blame on Protestant extremists, security sources said.

"That could really bring the two communities to a boil," one said.

The I.R.A., which seeks to unite predominantly Protestant Northern Ireland with the largely Catholic Irish Republic, has claimed responsibility for much of the violence in Ulster.

In the car incident, the Army said John Bateson, 18, Martin Lee, 18, and James Sheridan, 19, were sitting in their parked car when a 15-lb. gelignite bomb one was holding on his lap suddenly went off.

"It was to have been set off by an electrical device, but they made a mistake with the timing," an Army spokesman said.

The bomb demolished the car, and hurled the bodies across the road. A pistol was found next to one of the youths, the Army said.

At noon yesterday, Army bomb disposal experts finished defusing a firebomb placed Saturday night in the Hunting Lodge Inn, in the Roman Catholic Andersontown area of Belfast.

Two youths placed the bomb in the inn shortly after midnight, warning the night watchman to leave. Two weeks ago another bomb seriously damaged the inn. The Army decided to wait until daybreak before tackling this one.

In other action yesterday, the Army said British soldiers were fired on twice in Londonderry and Belfast but that no shots were returned and no one was injured.

The first phase of the Gadna rifle range championships began yesterday in Ramat Gan. (I.P.P.A.)

U.S. and N. Vietnam in missile exchange

SAIGON (AP). — American fighter-bombers exchanged missiles with Communist anti-aircraft defences deep inside North Vietnam in an ominous resurgence of the air war, military spokesmen disclosed yesterday.

While the U.S. Command said no planes were hit in the engagement Saturday about 235 kms. south of Hanoi, it refused to confirm or deny North Vietnamese claims that three American planes were shot down during heavy raids.

"No comment," said a Command spokesman. "We never comment on statements by the North Vietnamese. I have nothing to report."

The spokesman said that the U.S. Command has been announcing all American air losses. However, in the past, some reports have been delayed for security reasons when there is a search and rescue operation in progress for missing crewmen.

The North Vietnamese Foreign Ministry said in a statement that the three planes were shot down during attacks "in a populated area" in the Nghe An province, which borders on Laos. It made no mention of the fate of the crewmen.

The U.S. Command reported only the missile engagement in Nghe An province, the second in the same region in the past six days, but said the Navy planes involved returned safely to their carriers in the Tonkin Gulf.

According to the Command's account, two sites fired one Sam each at a Navy RA5 reconnaissance jet about 325 kms. north of the Demilitarized Zone. An A7 fighter-bomber escort fired one air-to-ground missile at each site, but the results were not known.

The U.S. Command did not disclose the mission of the reconnaissance plane but it obviously was seeking to photograph the Quang Lang Airfield and any Mig interceptors that might be based there.

The U.S. is concerned about the increasing appearance of Soviet-built Mig interceptors over Laos in recent weeks, apparently to harass U.S. aircraft bombing North Vietnam's Ho Chi Minh Trail supply network to the south.

Iraqi-Soviet atom agreement signed

BEIRUT (UPI). — The Iraqi and Soviet Atomic Energy Commissions yesterday signed a two-year co-operation agreement in Baghdad for the use of the atom for peaceful purposes, the Iraqi News Agency said.

The agreement provides for Soviet aid to raise the capacity of Iraq's nuclear reactor from two to five megawatts, the agency added.

Bangla Desh seeks recognition

SINGAPORE. — A special envoy of the Bangla Desh Government said yesterday he hoped a worldwide network of diplomats could soon secure formal recognition of the new nation.

"We want the world to know that not only is the government at home busy setting up civil administration but the foreign service is also making efforts," said K.K. Panni, roving ambassador.

Mr. Panni, formerly Pakistan ambassador to the Philippines, said he already has visited Japan, the Philippines, Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore in search of recognition. After a news conference, he left for Jakarta to continue a mission which he said he hoped would include Australia and New Zealand.

So far only India and Bhutan have recognized the new Government, he said, but he was optimistic others would follow.

A.W. Shams-ul-Alam, a senior Pakistani Foreign Ministry official who defected to Bangla Desh in Kuala Lumpur on Saturday, said Government estimates in Islamabad were that a sovereign Bangla Desh could receive recognition by all countries within 100 days.

Indian Prime Minister Mrs. Indira Gandhi yesterday urged President Nixon, in an interview in the "Sunday Times," to press for the release of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, the Bengali leader imprisoned in Pakistan.

Correspondent Nicholas Carroll asked Mrs. Gandhi what India was doing to secure the Sheikh's release.

"I don't think we can put many pressures," Mrs. Gandhi replied. "We have appealed to all the world governments through our embassies... we sincerely hope that they will exert some pressure."

In Washington, U.S. officials speaking with the authority of the White House yesterday stressed the role played by Washington in bringing about a cease-fire.

The officials, who declined to be identified, said President Nixon secretly pressed the Soviet Union over the past two weeks to use a restraining influence on India. White House Press Secretary Ronald Ziegler said the U.S. had held extensive diplomatic contacts at the highest-ever level and they were a factor in achieving the cease-fire.

In Moscow, "Pravda" denounced China for joining forces with the U.S. in the United Nations debate of the Indo-Pakistan conflict. It said that "It was difficult to see where the speeches of America ended and those of the Chinese started."

In its Sunday review of world events over the past week, "Pravda" said, "The events on the Hindostan Peninsula have torn down the mask of the Peking leaders to show the whole world that they are marching hand in hand with stranglers of peoples' freedom and that they are driven by selfish chauvinist motives."

The commentary, signed by Vladimir Yermakov, said that "In the last days of the conflict the Pentagon tried to restore its tested weapons of blackmail and military and psychological pressure on India." *(AP, Reuter)*

Mukti Bahini guerrillas look at mass grave they found near Dacca on Saturday. The Bengalis were killed by Pakistani troops a few hours before the arrival of Indian units in the East Pakistani capital. (AP radiophoto)

Pakistan

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to be taking strong measures to prevent continued shooting between the Mukti Bahini guerrillas of Bangla Desh and the Pakistan Army troops, who have been allowed to retain their arms for self-protection. Meanwhile, the Indian-recognized Government of Bangla Desh has delayed its departure from Calcutta because of the anxiety about the security situation, Indian Army sources said yesterday.

Public opinion is inflamed by the discovery on Saturday of the massacre of about 200 doctors, writers, professors and teachers—the cream of the intellectuals who could have helped create the new state.

It was feared that armed bands roaming Dacca's streets would step up their campaign of vengeance against collaborators with the Pakistanis. This could lead to a repetition of Saturday's public execution of four youths accused of looting.

The Indian Army is being careful not to provoke exuberant patriots by insisting on strict security measures. It has broadcast radio appeals for surrender of automatic weapons by youths not authorized to possess them. Senior officers said orders for the handing in of other weapons would be issued soon.

The Indian Army is beginning to organize a Bengali security force to be left behind when it withdraws. This will consist of men picked from the East Bengal Regiment, East Pakistani Rifles and the former Bengali police force. The Indians will not say how long this will take but do not deny it might be months.

Smiling Indian and Pakistani officers fraternized yesterday before a ceremony held to mark the surrender of all weapons by Pakistanis. Some were photographed together.

Major-General Gandharov Naghra, commanding the prisoner of war camps, told officers they would be protected under the 1949 Geneva Convention. All ranks would receive monthly pay, meals and mail facilities. They could not leave the camp area without permits, he said.

The Indian Government announced yesterday a telephone service had been opened between Dacca and New Delhi. Telephone operators took bookings but then reported "the line was out of order." *(AP, Reuter)*

S.A.C. head says Soviet could decide to test U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP). — The Soviet Union, in its effort to achieve domination, "could test us in the Mediterranean, the Middle East, Berlin and maybe Korea again, if they decided they had sufficient advantage," the head of the U.S. Strategic Air Command said yesterday.

General Bruce Holloway, in a copyrighted interview in "U.S. News & World Report," said Russia is aiming "to remove us as the major roadblock to their influence in the world.

"The Russians' preferred grand strategy, in my opinion, is to keep on what they've done the last many years: fomenting trouble that we are drawn into — and thus weakened by — but without any significant force commitment on their part," Gen. Holloway said.

DETERRENT GAME

"Deterrence is the name of the game we must play — most certainly deterrence of nuclear attack, but also deterrence of the loss of our way of life. If they were to achieve a preponderant advantage over us, we would see some hard times ahead," he continued.

Pointing to the possible areas where the Soviets might apply pressure on America, he warned. "If we can't negotiate from a position of at least parity, I don't know what will happen, but it will not go well with us."

This applied to the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks (Salt) between the U.S. and Russia as well, Gen. Holloway said, because the U.S. must "have the strength to support our negotiating posture."

Japan passenger sets plane afire

TOKYO (Reuter). — A passenger stabbed himself to death yesterday after attempting to set fire to a Japanese airliner on a domestic flight to Tokyo, police said.

The man, aged about 30, but still unidentified, died in hospital from chest wounds after the All-Nippon Airways Friendship aircraft reached Tokyo from Fukui, western Japan.

The pilot and three of the 13 passengers were slightly injured during a scuffle with the man, police said. Passengers said the man poured an inflammable liquid on the floor and set it afire shortly before the plane was due to land, but other passengers quickly extinguished the flames.

The man then tried to enter the cockpit before being overpowered by the crew and passengers.

Drug addiction among G.I.s goes down

SAIGON (Reuter). — Heroin addiction among U.S. servicemen in Vietnam has declined — the first time such a reverse trend has ever been known, Dr. Richard Wilbur, U.S. Assistant Secretary of Defence for health and environment, said yesterday.

Urine tests on servicemen going home at the end of their tour showed a drop from about 5.5 per cent positive reactions to about 3.5 per cent over the past three months, he told a press conference.

During the peak period of heroin abuse, from last August to September, some treatment centres were taking in up to 50 new patients a day. Now three rehabilitation centres had closed and some projected new ones had not opened because of falling numbers of addicts, Dr. Wilbur said.

Egypt offers to help Libya run B.P.

CAIRO (Reuter). — Egypt has offered to help Libya run the installations of the British Petroleum Company (M.P.), nationalized by Libyan leader Colonel Muammar Gaddafi earlier this month, according to well-informed sources here.

The Egyptian offer was conveyed to the Libyan leader by Egypt's Minister of State for Petroleum Affairs, Mr. Al Wali, who paid a brief visit to Tripoli a few days ago, the sources said.

Publisher must pay IL10,000 for libel letter

TEL AVIV. — District Court Judge Eliyahu Manny yesterday ordered a Herzliya Pituah publisher to pay a lawyer IL10,000 in damages for libelling him.

The publisher, Shmuel Friedman, had written a letter to the editor of "Yediot Aharonot" defaming the attorney, Mr. Shmuel Segal. The letter was published in the paper on May 23, 1968.

In June, 1970, Mr. Segal sued Friedman and the editor of "Yediot Aharonot." He won the case, and the newspaper apologized and paid him IL1,500 in damages. Friedman, however, refused to pay or apologize, and promised the judge he would produce witnesses to prove that every charge he made in his letter was true.

In his letter to "Yediot Aharonot" Friedman said Segal, who was then deputy chairman of Ha'olam Hazeh-Koah Hadash, had been a member of the Palestine Communist Party and had distributed seditious leaflets during the Arab riots of 1929. The letter also alleged that "Segal never did anything for the State of Israel." The court pointed out that he had served in the armed forces during the War of Independence and had volunteered again during the Six Day War.

In addition, Friedman implied (but did not state) that Segal had been among the signers of a petition published in the Soviet daily "Pravda" in 1968, entitled "An End to the Suppression of Human Rights in Israel and the Occupied Territories."

Mr. Segal claimed in court that, because of the libel against him, he had lost his high status in the Ha'olam Hazeh movement, and was dropped from the top of its election list. *(Itim)*

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Soviet Mars TV cast lasted 20 seconds

MOSCOW (AP). — The Soviet Union revealed yesterday that the capsule which parachuted from its Mars-3 probe and landed on the surface of the red planet transmitted television signals for only 20 seconds.

The disclosure was contained in a long analysis of the missions of the space probes Mars-2 and Mars-3. The analysis covered a full page in yesterday's "Pravda" and was also distributed to provincial newspapers by Tass.

On December 7, when Tass initially announced the December 2 soft landing of a capsule ejected from Mars-3, it said only that the "video signals... were brief and suddenly discontinued."

There was little indication in the summary of the mission that the landing capsule was able to get a good picture of the surface of the plant.

The article said "it is too early to say what stopped the transmission."

Tito defends Croatian purge

BELGRADE (AP). — President Tito said on Saturday that the purge of the Croatian Communist Party leadership was necessary to offset the possibility of a civil war within six months in Yugoslavia.

Tito, addressing a trade union meeting, announced a sweeping reorganization of the Communist Party of which he is also the president.

The move is designed to give workers a bigger say in party and public life to offset possible future outbursts of the kind of chauvinism he suppressed in Croatia earlier this month.

Rome parliament still deadlocked

ROME (UPI). — Parliament failed in its 17th attempt in 11 days to elect a new Italian president, leaving rival Roman Catholic and Marxist forces stalemated in a power struggle.

Deputy Premier Francesco de Martino, a Socialist running with Communist support, led the ballot yesterday — as he has every ballot so far. But his total of 397 was 108 short of the 505 required for election and political sources said his chances of success were almost zero.

President Nixon during news conference on Saturday, when he announced in Washington the "most significant monetary agreement in the history of the world" after conclusion of the Group of Ten meeting held there. (AP radiophoto)

Monetary

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country, ranged from pride and relief to fear, censure and shock.

Prime Minister Eisaku Sato termed the revaluation "proper and reasonable" but fears were expressed that the revalued yen would eliminate the price advantages Japan has long enjoyed, its critics say unfairly, in world export markets.

President Nixon's dollar defence measures of August 15 were directed mainly against the Japanese. Mr. Sato said the revaluation marked the beginning of a "new era of expansion" for Japan. There would be no recession, he added.

In Moscow, the official Soviet news agency Tass said the Washington agreement reached "a low in U.S. prestige" and reflected "a deep crisis in the entire pattern of American economy and trade." There was no comment on the fact that the Russians, as the major producer of newly mined gold, are likely to benefit from the higher gold price.

In Brussels, headquarters of the European Common Market, there was a general mood of immense satisfaction at the outcome of the session, although there was an awareness that considerable difficulties still face the community before the holidays.

E.E.C. officials said trade talks between the U.S. and the Community as part of a global settlement to the currency crisis could begin as early as Tuesday. These would be between the E.E.C. commission and President Nixon's special trade negotiator, William Eberle.

Meanwhile in Geneva, officials of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (G.A.T.T.), the international trade watchdog organization, welcomed Washington's decision to remove the import surcharge.

Israel pound

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Having that the fixing of new parities puts an end at last to a period of instability and apprehension. The abolition of the 10 per cent import surcharge in the U.S., though it does not affect all Israel goods (and some were charged less than 10 per cent), will give a fillip to exports to that country.

On the other hand, U.S. competition will sharpen on world markets, thanks to the reduced price of the dollar. Also Washington is demanding better terms for its agricultural products on the European market. This could benefit U.S. citrus exports — but fortunately they do not compete directly with Israel shipments, since the California harvest is at a different time of year.

Our Economic Editor, Moshe Ater, adds:

Another result of the Washington agreement may be a changed attitude of the E.E.C. to trade with Israel, owing to the growing American pressure to discontinue preferential tariff arrangements which discriminate against exports of third countries (of the U.S.) for example.

Two of the five demands presented in brief by Mr. W. Eberle, the U.S. special trade negotiator, to the E.E.C., are of particular concern to Israel: the one refers to the preference enjoyed in the Common Market by citrus fruit from the Mediterranean countries, the other to the preferential tariff agreements between the E.E.C. and other countries.

Though the last point is directed mainly to the forthcoming negotiations with the EFTA countries, eventual compliance with the American demand could indirectly also affect the future of Israel's agreement with the E.E.C.

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a memorial service and the unveiling of the tombstone will be
held at his grave, tomorrow Tuesday, December 21, 1971, at 3.30
p.m. at the New Rehovot cemetery.

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a memorial meeting and the unveiling of the tombstone
will take place on Wednesday, December 22, 1971, at
the Kiryat Shaul cemetery, Jerusalem.
Relatives and those cherishing his memory will meet
at the cemetery gate at 10 a.m.

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On the anniversary of the death of our two children,

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the unveiling of their tombstone and a memorial meeting
will take place tomorrow,
Tuesday, December 21, 1971, at 2.00 p.m.
at the Mount of Olives Cemetery, Jerusalem.

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The most significant monetary agreement in history of the world, says Nixon

...SHINGTON. — The United ...s devalued the dollar on Saturday night and scrapped controver... trade protection measures in ...most sweeping change of world ...ency rates.

...e dollar was devalued ...7.9 per cent; the price ...as raised by 8.57 per cent to ...ollars from 35; and the U.S. ...per cent import surcharge was ...ped as the world's 10 richest ...Communist countries reached ...President Nixon termed "the ...t significant monetary agree... ...t in the history of the world."

...hen markets reopen today the ...e of the American dollar will ...e been reduced by 7.9 per cent ...inst most of the world's major ...encies, and U.S. goods will be ...aper abroad.

...he request for devaluation will ...submitted to the U.S. Congress ...soon as other elements in the ...ement package are completed.

...he U.S. Secretary of the Trea... ...y, John Connally, said these ques... ...s undoubtedly could be settled ...the time Congress meets for its ...v session on January 20.

...r. Connally, obviously tired and ...mbling occasionally over his ...rds, said that when financial mar... ...ts reopened in every country they ...uld operate on the assumption ...t the devaluation and the reva... ...tions of other countries were ac... ...mplished facts.

...He said that the agreement did ... provide for restoring converti... ...ity of the dollar into gold, which ...esident Nixon suspended last Au... ...st.

...A communique issued by the ...oup of Ten said that the new ...ttern of currency realignment ...uld be announced by individual ...vernments.

...The agreement called for revalua... ...n of the West German mark and ... Japanese yen by significant ...nounts to go along with the dollar ...valuation.

...From the standpoint of foreign ...untries, one of the most import... ...t parts of the agreement by the ...ance Ministers of the Group of ... was the U.S. decision to sus... ...d the trade protection measures ...roduced by President Nixon last ...gust.

...lthough in arithmetic terms the ... dollar has been devalued by ... per cent against most curren... ..., upward revaluation of other ...encies has given the Nixon Ad... ...istration an effective overall de... ...ation of 11 per cent.

Mark and yen

...evaluations will make the mark ...er by 12.6 per cent and raise ... rate for the yen by an overall ... per cent.

...he British Chancellor of the Ex... ...quer, Anthony Barber, said the ...ity of sterling in terms of gold ...uld remain unchanged — raising ... pound's value automatically by ... per cent.

...e Belgian and Dutch curren... ... will be revalued upwards by ...t three per cent more than the ... per cent increase.

...e Italian lira will be devalued ...ne per cent in relation to other ...opean currencies.

...S. Treasury Secretary John Con... ... said the U.S. might shelve its ...osal to the U.S. Congress for an ... per cent upward revaluation ...e dollar price of gold to 38 dollars an ounce if further trade agreements could not be reached with the other major powers.

But President Nixon's declaration that the monetary agreement had been concluded ruled out the possibility that the U.S. authorities would revoke their commitment to devalue the dollar, observers said.

The effective devaluation will be assured by the policy actions of the other central banks in keeping their rates at the agreed levels on foreign exchange markets, they said.

Mr. Nixon said that as a result of the agreement: "We will have from a financial and monetary standpoint a more stable world. We will have a world in which competition can be more fair. We will have a world in which we can have more true prosperity than would be the case if we continued to have an alignment which was inevitably doomed to fail because of instability."

The Nixon Administration has calculated that every percentage point of change between the dollar and other major currencies represents potential foreign sales for the U.S. of between $700m. and $800m.

On this basis of an approximate eight per cent devaluation of the dollar, this could create an extra 400,000 jobs for U.S. workers, economists believe.

The agreement should also mean a $9,000m. boost to the American balance of payments, they said.

French Finance Minister Valery Giscard d'Estaing said he regarded the pact as an equitable recognition of the economic realities of the western world.

West German Finance Minister Karl Schiller referred to the agreement as "a fragile building, a fragile work of art," and said all countries could look back on the result of the negotiations with some satisfaction. (Reuter, AP)

Threat of chaos led to the decision

By DAVID LAULICHT

LONDON (Reuter). — The threat of chaos and ruinous competition in international trade and finance lay behind the determination of leading industrial countries to rebuild an international monetary system geared to today's realities.

Exchange rates and trade rules were thrown into flux after the U.S. took bold measures last August 12 to protect its economy — letting the dollar float in international dealings and imposing a 10 per cent surtax on imports.

The system governing money values had been slipping deeper into crisis for years — partly reflecting the dollar's slide from its position as lynchpin and measuring rod for non-Communist currencies.

Spectacular industrial development in Europe and Japan has radically changed the world trade and money map since the monetary system was set up in 1944, as World War II drew to a close. At the same time the U.S. — maintaining heavy spending in economic and military commitments — has continually paid out more abroad than it took in.

Here are key dates and events in the development of the crisis:

November, 1967: After a long struggle to maintain the pound sterling, Britain devalues by 14.3 per cent to 2.40 dollars to the pound.

February, 1968: U.S. announces its 1967 balance of payments deficit was double the 1966 deficit, reaching more than $3,500m. The price of gold soars in international trading.

March, 1968: Central bankers meet in Washington and set up a two-tier gold market system, with an official and a free market price. The seven leading western central banks undertake to use the official $35 an ounce price in currency dealings among themselves.

August, 1969: France devalues the franc by just over 11 per cent in a move influenced by worker-student upheavals the previous year, which ended with broad wage increases.

October, 1969: West Germany revalues its Deutschmark upward by 9.29 per cent, reflecting its strong trading position.

Most West European countries and Japan react by allowing their currencies to float. Major currencies move outside the previous boundaries and the dollar drops in value in international dealings, making American goods more competitive.

Non-Communist central bankers and government officials hold a series of meetings in London, Rome and Washington to try to agree on new exchange values and trade rules.

Much of the bargaining centres on the U.S. demand that its allies and partners help improve the American payments position. American officials want better market access and improved conditions for the sale of U.S. goods.

December, 1971: President Nixon meets French President Georges Pompidou in the Azores and agrees to devaluation of the dollar as part of a package deal to include revaluation of other currencies.

The West welcomes currency changes

LONDON (Reuter). — Western governments and financial circles gave a generally warm welcome to Washington agreement on currency realignments and the devaluation of the U.S. dollar.

British sources in Hamilton, Bermuda, welcomed the agreement as a good sign for the summit talks on the island beginning today between Premier Heath and President Nixon.

Official French sources in Paris also warmly greeted the agreement, saying it was what France had been working for all along.

In Tokyo, Japanese Prime Minister Eisaku Sato said the margin of revaluation of the yen in terms of the dollar — 16.88 per cent — was a reasonable one and would not bring about a depression in Japan. He said the adjustment to the new situation might take some time, but he expressed confidence that Japan would overcome the difficulties.

West German Government officials were pleased with the package because the increase in the value of the Deutschmark against other major currencies will be lower than they had feared. Its average increase in value against currencies other than the dollar will be only about 4.6 per cent, although its revaluation against the devalued dollar will be 12.6 per cent.

Official Italian sources said that Italy had always worked for an agreement on a currency realignment and that the successful outcome of the meeting would contribute to international cooperation.

In Brussels, the news of the agreement came as no surprise to Common Market officials. The six member countries had already made contingency plans for an emergency meeting of their Council of Ministers here next Wednesday in the event of a week-end accord in Washington.

Some Japanese industrial sources felt the revaluation of the yen was excessively high and a steel and a car manufacturer predicted their operations would be adversely affected.

In the U.S., however, the devaluation of the dollar was expected to have little or no impact on most Americans in a country where imports account for only about four per cent of the total spent on goods and services.

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Bhutto has hope of preventing break-up

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Pakistan Foreign Minister, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, who is returning home to take part in a new civilian government, said here on Saturday night that he was optimistic he could prevent the break-up of his country.

Mr. Bhutto, who is expected to be named head of the government, said after confering with President Nixon here that Pakistan is an ideal, and the ideal remains intact despite the victory of Indian forces and separatists in East Pakistan.

The fiery Mr. Bhutto told a press conference he believed he was the only political leader in West Pakistan who could carry the people with him.

He avoided a direct response when asked if he would negotiate with Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, the East Pakistan leader now jailed in West Pakistan for seeking autonomy for his half of the country.

Mr. Bhutto said he was leaving all options open, but he emphasised that all discussions he had would be in the framework of a united Pakistan.

Mistakes admitted

Bhutto, who has been leading his country's delegation to the U.N., said he was quite confident the people of East Pakistan would accept something less than total independence.

Bhutto acknowledged that Pakistan had made mistakes in its handling of the situation in East Pakistan, but he said a country should not be forcibly dismembered for its mistakes.

He said many things have to be done, "but they cannot be done without the support of the people. The people of Pakistan have been bypassed for too long."

Bhutto said that there must be a different, more generous attitude by India. If India tried to rub Pakistan's nose in the ground, there would be endless bloodshed, confusion and chaos in the subcontinent.

Pledging to work to keep Pakistan intact, Bhutto said: "If any frontiers have to shrink or have to change, India's frontiers have to change — not Pakistan's."

Refugees wait to return home

SALT LAKE CAMP, Calcutta, (Reuter). — Tens of thousands of East Pakistani refugees thronged the dusty alleys of this massive camp of make-shift houses and tents on Calcutta's outskirts on Saturday as they waited for orders to move back home.

Thousands have already trekked back across the borders at the start of an exodus that India hopes will see nearly 10 million people resettled in their new nation of Bangla Desh by next May.

Indian officials say that this is the deadline for people to get back home before the monsoons start.

A quarter of a million people live six families to a house in the temporary buildings and tents at Salt Lake, one of the biggest of 1,100 camps along India's Eastern borders.

Buoyant mood

The West Bengal Government estimates that some 60,000 people have moved back into East Pakistan since the start of the war.

The mood at Salt Lake camp on Saturday, two days after the end of the war, was still buoyant following jubilant scenes with which refugees greeted the Indian victory.

Several of them said when questioned they were anxious to go back home, but the West Bengal Government has asked them to wait until it has worked out formal repatriation procedures with the Bangla Desh Government, recognized by India last week.

Most of the refugees would have to go home the way they came — on foot, he said.

The first refugees to go back were those whose homes are close to the borders.

State Government officials say that in many cases their homes may have disappeared or been signed over to someone else by the Pakistan military government.

Wreathed in smiles, Indian Premier Indira Gandhi receives a standing ovation at a special joint session of Parliament called in her honour. With her are Defence Minister Jagjivan Ram, left, and H.R. Choudhury, Bangla Desh Ambassador to India.

Iraqi President Ahmed Hassan El Bakr, left, greets Soviet Defence Minister General Andrei Grechko during a meeting in Baghdad last week. (AP radiophotos)

Uzi Narkis, head of the Jewish Agency's department of Immigration and Absorption, dancing with immigrants at a Hanukka party for new settlers from Georgia given by the department at Ulpan Etzion in Jerusalem on Saturday night. (Weiss photo)

Greece lifts martial law for some

By NEOCOSMOS TZALLAS

ATHENS (Reuter). — Greek Premier Papadopoulos announced on Saturday night the lifting of martial law for two-thirds of the Greek population but failed to set a date for the full implementation of the constitution.

Addressing the Greek people in his annual State of the Nation review over radio and television, the Premier said that the areas of Attica (including Athens), Piraeus, and Salonica would continue to remain under martial law in force in Greece since the army seized power in April 1967.

Some observers here commented that Mr. Papadopoulos, the former artillery colonel who planned and carried out the army coup, does not wish to relax his firm grip in the major urban centres, which by tradition are considered to be liberal strongholds.

The Premier also announced that 69 Greeks, including 12 high-ranking royalist officers, deported to various remote villages as a risk to public safety would be set free today.

300 in prison

But there are still about 300 Greeks serving various prison terms for activities against the military backed regime.

In his speech, the Prime Minister said: "I swear before the Greek people that the aim of the revolution is to secure the prerequisites for the safe functioning of democracy as provided in the constitution of 1968 and never to allow demagogy."

Several articles of the revolution's own constitution approved by referendum in September 1968 still remain suspended.

These articles deal mainly with civil liberties and the functioning of political parties and parliamentary elections.

Some politicians here had expected the reactivation of some of these articles, at least those pertaining to the functioning of political parties, which would have allowed the gradual return to normal political life.

Egypt embassy for Malta

VALLETTA, Malta (Reuter). — Egypt is to open an embassy in Malta with a resident ambassador, it was reported here on Saturday. The Egyptians are now looking for suitable premises and an ambassador is expected to be named for next March, the report said.

Malta and Egypt have had diplomatic relations for several years with the ambassador to Italy acting as ambassador to Malta.

Egypt's will be the second permanent Arab embassy here, joining Libya's which has been here for about two years. According to the Nationalist Party newspaper "In Nazzjon" (The Nation) the Soviet Union is also looking for suitable embassy buildings.

The paper said the Russians want to lease an old palace about five miles outside Valletta and near the private residence of the British High Commissioner.

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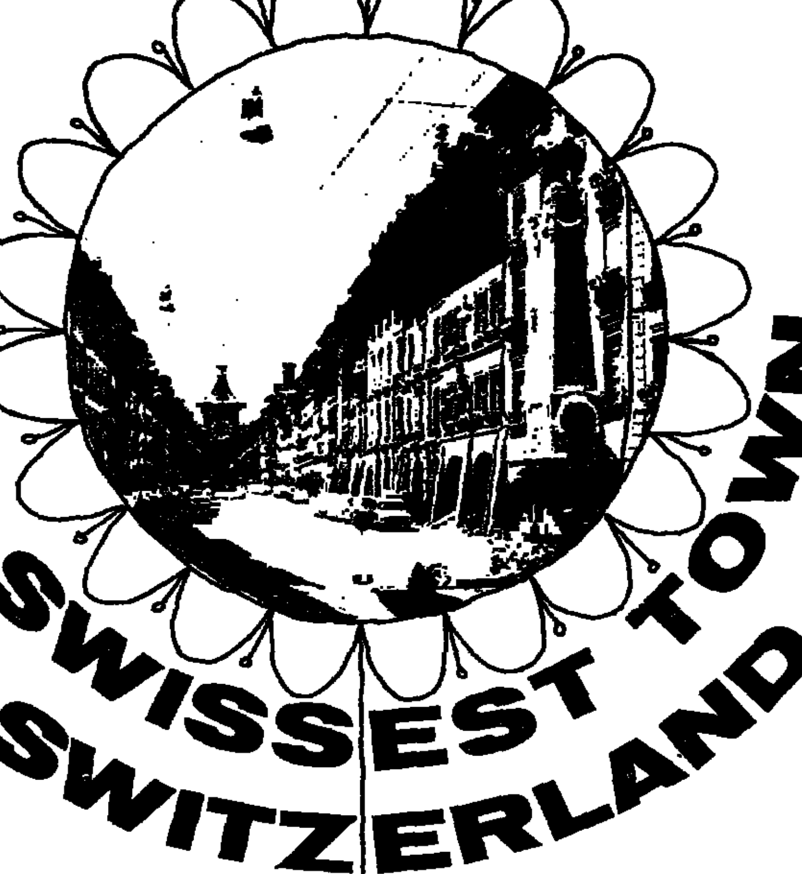

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Solel Boneh spending millions for biggest stone quarry in M.E.

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — In the coming three years Solel Boneh will invest IL50m. in its subsidiary Lime and Stone Production Ltd. (Even Vassid) to expand and re-equip its plants producing basic building materials; IL30m. will be invested in the development of what will become the largest stone quarry in the Middle East, at Shfar'am, another IL10m. at the Shfeya lime plant and the balance in various other plants.

Solel Boneh's general manager Zvi Rechter, Lime and Stone's general manager David Shazar, and senior executives of the two companies last week toured L and S quarries and plants at Shfeya, Shfar'am, Golani Junction (in Galilee) and Nazareth to see how the current shortage of building materials, mainly of lime, can be overcome as fast as possible.

In 1972, IL20m. out of the IL50m. will be spent "despite our expectation of a short-term recession in the economy because Solel Boneh is planning its basic production facilities beyond immediate trends," Shazar explained. The major project at Shfar'am will be developed in two phases, the first for an output of 750,000 tons of stone and stone products a year, and double that volume in the second. The range of products will include aggregate of various grades, foundation and filling materials. An aggregate washing plant will have a 500,000 tons a year output of graded sands, to serve as a substitute for *zifzif* (natural beach sand) the mining of which on the country's coasts is steadily dwindling. An asphalt plant at Shfar'am will supply 300,000 tons of asphalt a year. The entire plant will become the largest source of road construction materials for the north. Over half of the Shfar'am project's first phase has already been completed.

Business and Finance

Commenting on the present shortage of lime (which has led to a black market and prices about three times the normal rate), Mr. Shazar attributed it to the growing demand for lime by industry, mainly petrochemicals and pharmaceuticals, steel and carbide. This demand, together with the unprecedented boom in the construction industry, has led to a shortage and to the import of 10,000 tons last year to relieve it. L and S is now planning to step up output at Shfeya with a IL10m. investment to be spent on a rotary kiln with a 200-tons-a-day capacity. In two years output will rise from the present 315 tons a day to 500 tons.

L and S is also planning two new concrete-mixing plants in the north and south, bringing its total to six, four of them in the north. The Binyamina Stone quarry (one of the country's most serious spoilages of the landscape, at the southern tip of the Carmel range) will have its output more than doubled to 750,000 tons. Much will be spent also on improving and expanding marble production and dust prevention at the quarries.

L and S' general manager forecasts a 10 to 15 per cent increase in output, including 6.1 million tons of stone and nearly 130,000 tons of limes, 125,000 cbm of ready-mixed concrete, 24,000 tons of gypsum. He said that as soon as the Nesher Company would put the cement plant at Hartuv (the old Shimshon enterprise) back into operation, the output and marketing of gypsum would rise sharply. Altogether L and S will spend IL75m. next year, on production and new facilities.

Jumbos up for sale

By JOEL N. SHURKIN

NEW YORK (Reuter). — The Boeing 747 "Jumbo" airliner first introduced on the world's air routes in January 1970 is proving to be something less than a rousing fiscal success for some airlines. Several airlines have either put their planes in mothballs, ripped out seats to add a cargo section, or turned them completely into cargo carriers.

Other companies have sold them off, have them up for sale or traded them in for smaller, less advanced aircraft.

There is nothing wrong with the giant 374-seat airliner itself. Pilots love the way it handles, and admire the back-up, navigational and landing systems.

Airline accountants are aware of the fact that a fully-loaded 747 is a flying goldmine. Most passengers are awed by the size and comfort. Everyone likes the safety record (40,000 million passenger miles without a fatality — a record matched by few new airliners).

The problem is that there are too few passengers to fill the giant, and airlines are finding that, in a recession, they are flying with more empty seats than passengers.

America's Braniff international airlines ordered two 747s originally. One, painted bright orange (nicknamed the "Great Pumpkin" or "Super Carrot") flies every day between Dallas and Honolulu at a profit. But Braniff executives found that they could not find a route in their system to justify the use of the second 747. It sat at Boeing's Wichita, Kansas, factory — because it was cheaper to keep it in storage than it was to fly it — until Braniff finally traded the plane back to Boeing for six 727s.

Pan Am, which ordered a number of the planes, has delayed delivery of two because of the carrier's financial condition. They are in Wichita in storage.

Various international airlines also are adjusting to their 747 problems. Ireland's Aer Lingus has put its two planes in storage during the winter because losses would be too heavy to justify their use.

KLM. and Sabena took the seats out of the rear passenger section for the winter and use the space for baggage and cargo. Alitalia ripped out all the seats in one of its 747s and is flying cargo this winter.

The 747, which costs $23 m., was not a rousing success with executives even when it was new. Most wished privately that Boeing had waited about five years before bringing it into service.

Boeing based its design on what it thought would be the requirements for the early and middle 70s — statistics based in part in the annual growth of airline traffic. Boeing's figures did not anticipate a recession and the collapse of traffic growth.

Several airlines also appear to have made an erroneous assumption that their passengers would want to fly jumbo. But recent government statistics indicate that once the novelty of the 747 wore off most airline passengers went back to their old habit of taking flights that were convenient.

Boeing has sold 207 planes and delivered 163 of those.

Boeing people believe that the airline industry will turn around, and indeed there are indications that business is beginning to improve.

If that is so the airlines may yet find they need the 747. Anyone flying the North Atlantic last summer has experienced what it is like to scramble for seats.

Turnover of co-ops may rise by 20p.c.

Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

TURNOVER of urban consumer cooperative societies is expected to reach IL250m. in 1971, an increase of almost 20 per cent as compared with 1970. The cooperative department stores — Hamashbir Latzarkan — are expected to increase their turnover by twice as much, and to reach about IL60m.

The cooperative retail stores now number 220 — however only a fraction of the turnover is achieved in the 120 small stores of the traditional pattern, with less than 500 sq.m. floor space. Almost three quarters of total sales stem from the 50 supermarkets with over 1,000 sq.m. floor space each. Food accounts for close to one half of the total sales.

Incidentally, though these stores are labelled "cooperative," members do not have much say in their effective management. Only about 15 per cent of the turnover is accounted for by purchases of the cooperative societies' members. The members' families have been estimated to include about 20,000 people. A member must acquire a share worth IL100, and gets a discount of 2 per cent on the amount of his purchases plus 5 per cent on purchases at Hamashbir Latzarkan stores.

No accounts

No accounts of the cooperative stores have been published for many years, though they are reportedly in the black. The profit margin is said to amount to 1 per cent of the turnover, but this is probably a gross figure, from which financing charges must be deducted.

Incidentally, the Supersol chain of supermarkets, which now numbers 15 retail outlets, is expected to achieve a turnover of IL67m. in 1971, an increase of almost 25 per cent against 1970. The chain is earning a net profit (before tax) of about 2 per cent on its turnover.

Consumer cooperative stores in rural settlements have been declining in recent years. In many *moshavim* the cooperative has been closed down, and instead a "licence" granted to a private store, in order to escape perennial deficits.

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Most 'seamen's imports' are made in Israel

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Commander of the Haifa Police Nitzav Mishne Mordehai Ron said last week that an investigation had shown that 70 per cent of the articles of clothing sold as "seamen's imports" were in fact made in Israel.

There were some factories which specialized in manufacturing such clothing, from Israel-made material, and made it look like foreign brand articles, he said. "This seems to be a matter of supply and demand. The public appears so eager to buy foreign articles that it is willing to buy these goods from the shops and stands that specialize in "seamen's goods."

Answering questions on the smuggling of goods by seamen, Mr. Ron emphasized that "no organized crime is involved." A small number of seamen had exploited their right to bring home a limited amount of tax-free goods, and had "gone beyond the limit." The police and customs had intervened vigorously and after action during two arrivals of the liner Dan last month, had "put a stop to the smuggling."

On the other hand, the shops who sold "seamen's goods" were legally licensed. It may be assumed that as most of their ware is of local manufacture, disguised as imports, their trade will continue.

INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — An international conference on trends in industrial relations will be held at the Hilton Hotel beginning on January 10, Mr. Gideon Ben-Yisrael, labour relations chief mediator, announced at a study day on labour legislation held at the Peretz Naphtali Building of the Tel Aviv University on Monday. Some 300 experts from abroad and 200 from Israel will take part in the four-day discussion.

Representatives of governments, employers, trade unions and scientists will convene together for the first time, Mr. Ben-Yisrael said. In the International Labour Organization, which includes employers, employees and governments, the scientists have no say.

The participants will split into groups of 50 to discuss particular issues.

Money in the treetops

OWERRI, NIGERIA (Reuter). — Villagers near here have taken to climbing tree-tops at night to hide their money and valuables as a violent wave of armed robbery sweeps the area. Widespread acts of robbery and vandalism have been recorded in more than two dozen rural settlements of the east central state in the past three weeks.

Clergymen have been one of the main targets of the robberies, apparently carried out by a gang of demobilised soldiers from the Biafran forces.

Not only does the gang ignore the threat of execution, it even sends letters in advance to intended victims.

In a typical letter, the robbers said that they were concentrating "vengeance" on priests and pastors who had refused them relief materials during the civil war, and on councillors and community leaders who recommended them for army conscription in the first place.

For the man who wants to start a business

THE former Counsellor for Israel's Economic Affairs in Paris has written an interesting booklet on Israel's economic problems as seen from the angle of the man who wants to set up an enterprise in Israel and thus wishes to acquaint himself with Israel's economic climate and the way "things are done" in Israeli businesses.

By Menahem Mayer, the book is called "Les Entreprises en Israel, combattre, survivre et croitre," has a preface by Walter Eytan, former Israeli Ambassador in France and is published by Fayard Mame.

A short description of the *raison d'etre* of the State, and its political and social atmosphere precedes more detailed discussions of the private and public sector, the intervention of the State in the various fields of economic activity and a short characterization of the typical Israeli manager.

More detailed chapters are devoted to commercial and financial policies and to the labour problems connected with all the country's economic activities.

Basing itself on official facts and figures, the informative booklet is not uncritical of many customs and attitudes prevailing in Israel, giving fair warning to the French reader, who is considering investing in Israel. It is a concise and clearly written survey of modern Israeli business life that certainly fills a vacuum. *J.V.*

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The Soviet view on Jews is changing

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Russians have realized that the Jewish cause is a national issue, not just a matter of family reunion. This is just one of the changes in the official attitude towards Jews, according to Pavel Goldstein, spokesman for the 93 Soviet Jews who obtained a hearing last September with leading members of the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party.

TEL AVIV. — Pavel Goldstein, who was the spokesman last September for the 93 Jews seeking an interview with top Soviet leaders, says he was convinced Jews could win their point in spite of the rigidity of the regime. Mr. Goldstein arrived in Israel several weeks ago and is now learning Hebrew at an Ulpan. "It is because the attitude to Jews," Mr. Goldstein told *The Jerusalem Post*, "reveals the nature of the relations between the government and the people generally. The people of Russia would not take today the sort of treatment Stalin could get away with. The spectre of 1937 looms heavily in the minds of the people who look to the authorities' treatment of Jews as an indication of what the fate of others might be."

At 56, Mr. Goldstein has 17 years of Soviet detention camps behind him. In 1935, soon after he graduated from the Philological Institute of Moscow, he wrote an indignant letter to Stalin about the fate of the famous stage director Meyerchold. Six months later he was arrested and sentenced to a term in deportation camp. The sentence was extended four times for various offences, including "nationalism."

"It was in the camps that I received my true higher education." Mr. Goldstein says. Some of the greatest minds of Russia were among the inmates of Stalin's prisons and talking to them was worth years of university studies. On Stalin's death "rehabilitation" came; Mr. Goldstein returned to Moscow and worked in the Literary Museum, "a sort of Soviet British Museum Library."

The exodus of Soviet Jews began several years ago, when the Jews began to look for self-assertion, learned Hebrew and wrote letters to international bodies stating their wish to go to Israel. The authorities replied by arrests. There was terrorization of Jews at their places of work: shouts of "You have not been beaten enough" were often heard.

A certain change in the official attitudes occurred, according to Mr Goldstein, after a group of Jews obtained a hearing with leading personalities of the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party. On the Ninth of Ab 93 Jews gathered in Archipov Street, near the Great Synagogue, and signed a letter to the Central Committee, containing several complaints: the postal authorities failed to deliver mail from relatives in Israel: the Human Rights Declaration was violated by unlawful dismissal from work of persons who asked to emigrate to Israel; the good behaviour certificate which caused so much trouble for would-be emigrants was unnecessary.

On September 17, the whole group went to the offices of the Central Committee. They waited 40 minutes outside the five-storey building, as employees looked curiously at this rare event — a demonstration. Finally, five persons were taken up to see Mr. Tikhomirov, Secretary of the Central Committee.

"All smiles"

"He was a refined person, all smiles and handshakes, and probably started his career as an investigator in the 1937 purges." Asked what they wanted, the delegation began by stating their constitutional rights. "Tikhomirov, with a wry smile, suggested we get down to business. We handed him our letter and he asked us to return the next day at 3 p.m."

The following day, however, the delegation was told Mr. Tikhomirov was in conference, and that the application should be made with the Interior Ministry. "I told Tikhomirov's deputy that if we could not see a responsible personality of the Central Committee, we would cable the President complaining of a violation of the constitution." Tikhomirov then sent a message asking the delegation to return the next day at 3 p.m.

"We were told to wait until 6 o'clock. Meanwhile, two vans with policemen arrived on the scene." Besides Mr. Goldstein, the group included Victor Polski, Gavriel Shapiro, Vladimir Rosenblum and Baruch Orlov.

Seated in the room into which they were ushered were the Deputy Interior Minister Major-General Shukayeff; Colonel Ovchinnikov; deputy head of OVIR, the department dealing with exit visas and Victor Ivanov, head of the administration of the Central Committee. "Not top rank, but representative enough," said Mr. Goldstein.

"We argued that our cause was a national issue, not a matter of family reunions. We used the same arguments used by the Soviet radio ing with exit visas; and Victor Ivanov, urging the teaching of Russian and interest in the Russian homeland. We said we did not care about the political regime of Israel, because Israel was our homeland, and we intended to go there."

Ivanov, who was the main spokesman at the meeting, argued that "emigration was a State prerogative, not a Jewish right." He invoked concern for a "brain drain" and the inadvisability of allowing out people engaged on classified work. When the delegation asked that the 99-ruble tax on passports be waived, Ovchinnikov remarked: the Kurds and the Spaniards, too, paid the tax when they returned to their homeland" — thus admitting the point of view of the delegates.

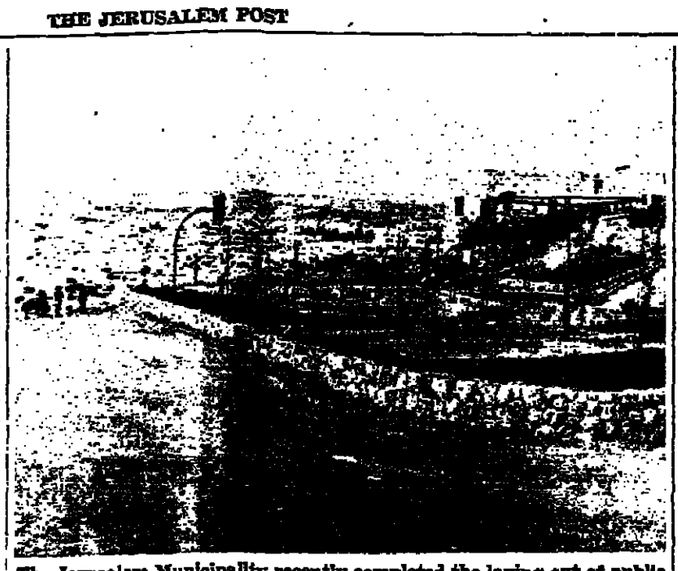
Mail arrives

The meeting lasted for two and a half hours: "the Russians obviously wanted to know our position clearly. Meanwhile, the delegates were asked to "keep the people downstairs quiet' — to which we replied we could not because of the two police buses. Shukayeff went out and the vans disappeared."

Following the meeting, mail began to arrive at its destination, Mr. Goldstein asserts. Moreover, the tone of the authorities changed. "Kosygin, in Denmark, spoke of a Jewish national issue — a step forward from his Paris interview several years ago, when he spoke only of "family reunion." And when a group of 90 Jews demonstrated on October 25, the people were arrested and kept in custody for seven hours — but were finally released with apologies.

The most important development recently was the fact that academics of international standing have joined the ranks of would-be emigrants. "Among the 90 men arrested on October 25, there were scientists like Prof. Alexander Lerner, deputy president of the International Cybernetics Society." Prof. Lerner is a well-known personality in the Soviet scientific world, "he lives better in Moscow than he ever can hope to do in Israel."

Incidentally, Mr. Goldstein says, two weeks ago it was learned that Prof. Lerner, his son and granddaughter, all noted mathematicians, have been dismissed from their jobs the moment they applied for exit-visas.



The Jerusalem Municipality recently completed the laying out of public garden and playground in Shna'fat, but this has not yet changed the habits of the local children — they still prefer to play in the road. Fortunately the street is a quiet one. The park is being opened officially this week. (Barzilay photo)

New U.S. warplanes too involved and expensive: critics

By WILLIAM SCALLY

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Critics of the American defence establishment are urging Congress to consider whether today's planes and ships really need all the expensive technical additions they carry.

Concerned by the steadily soaring costs of American defence, these critics point out that France, Sweden, Britain and the Soviet Union have all built first-class fighter planes with far less money and fewer men.

The case for more simplicity and lower costs has been made at recent meetings of the powerful Senate Armed Services Committee.

Strongly attacked has been the F-14 fighter, still being tested for service with the Navy. The price for one plane is $16,700,000.

Critics earlier aimed their fire at the giant C5-A transport plane, which has been plagued by troubles that helped add to the $58m. cost of each plane.

America's future defence plans will include the B-1 bomber, which could cost $80m. Its nuclear attack missiles alone cost a million dollars each. The Navy has talked about a $1,000m. nuclear-powered aircraft carrier.

Such costs were attacked by one expert from the Rand Corporation who told the Armed Services Committee that the difference on the cost of American planes and those built by France and Sweden, Britain and Russia, was due to the latter's simpler design, a policy of "fly before you buy" and use of small teams of experts rather than a legion of men.

In European companies the number of engineers and other skilled people committed to a programme for developing a plane seldom exceeded 700. In the United States, he said, from twice to 10 times that many comparable experts were employed.

Mr. Perry said the differences between U.S. and European planes were not large enough to explain the striking differences between manpower resources devoted to them.

One French company, he said, made high quality planes with low budgets, little paperwork and with little governmental and military control. Improvements were made gradually, prototypes were tested extensively and super-sophisticated electronic systems avoided if they might not be worth their cost.

A former Pentagon weapons analyst, Pierre Sprey, said the fascination with sophisticated weapons technology since World War II had increased the career possibilities and influence of technology advocates.

Mr. Sprey said the military was paying prices hundreds of times higher than commercial airlines for electronic and navigational equipment.

FEAR IN FOREST HILLS OVER PLAN FOR BLACKS

Plans are being made to move several hundred black families into the Forest Hills area. Joyce Egginton writes about the stir it has created.

NEW YORK (Ofns). — FOREST Hills is a white, middle-class neighbourhood of New York City. Eight miles from Manhattan, at the urban end of Long Island, it is a sprawl of well-kept houses interspersed with the kind of apartment buildings which have uniformed doormen and statues in the courtyard. Having grown without much planning, it has no defined centre and not much community spirit. But with its tree-lined streets, good shops and neat parks, it is a pleasant place to live.

Forest Hills is integrated only in the sense that its Jewish residents, who predominate, have an amiable business relationship with the rest. If the word "discrimination" is used in these parts, which is not too often or too seriously, it is taken to mean anti-Semitism. Blacks do not enter into the social scheme of Forest Hills. They merely come into the neighbourhood to clean houses, tend gardens and wash cars.

Forest Hills has now become the scene of a kind of racial crisis which is beginning to appear in many suburban neighbourhoods of America. Its 30,000-odd residents are faced with the probability that several hundred poor, unskilled black families, many on welfare relief, will be wished upon them in a huge new city housing project which will adjoin many of their secure middle-class homes.

Nation-wide plan

This decision was made by the city and Federal Governments as part of a nationwide plan to integrate the suburbs by "scatter-siting" Government-financed blocks of flats. In the past, this kind of housing was put up on the sites of decayed tenements, usually creating a different kind of slum. Now, it is believed, the poor (which in New York inevitably means the blacks) will have a better chance of social and educational improvement if they are integrated across class and racial barriers.

The reaction of many Forest Hills residents has been bitter and resentful. Hundreds have joined an association formed specifically to fight the new project which will house about 4,000 people, including a few elderly whites. After an angry rally the other day, 1,000 local whites hurled rocks at the windows of construction trailers parked on the site. Others have been threatening to lie down in front of the city's bulldozers when the building work begins.

Similar demonstrations are being staged in other suburbs across the country which are facing the same situation. Typical of the reaction of white extremists was the erection of a huge billboard in a resentful neighbourhood of Louisiana named Jefferson.

"Jefferson, it's the good life," said the slogan. "Let's keep it that way." Pictured alongside the words was a happy, healthy-looking white family.

Thus the white reactionary movement has created its own kind of shorthand which avoids the mention of race. "Building low-income housing" means letting blacks in; "maintaining the quality of the neighbourhood" means keeping them out. The Forest Hills protesters argue, with some justification, that the influx of 4,000 poor will put a crippling burden upon the already over-crowded local schools and community resources, and could cause a steep increase in local crime and drug addiction. The theme of most of the protesters' public speeches is that they believe the people from Harlem should have decent homes, but not here.

Among the opponents of the Forest Hills housing project are Jewish immigrants who came to this country to escape another kind of racial persecution. But, having worked for years to possess their own piece of property in a neighbourhood where they feel secure, they are all the more fearful of its violation.

As always, the demonstrators form a noisy minority. Most people in Forest Hills are doing nothing about the housing project, except hoping it will go away. A very few whites are liberal enough to be in favour of it, but most of them are afraid to speak out, fearing the indignation of their neighbours.

May modify plan

Although the Forest Hills Residents' Association will probably fail to halt the construction, it may force the city to modify its plans. And, since its protests have gone all the way to the White House, it may show other American cities how not to go about housing integration. Forest Hills had its housing project thrust upon it, without any attempt to prepare the white community, without any accompanying plan to bolster local school transport and welfare services to cope with the influx, without reference to the surrounding architecture. If built, the three 35-storey blocks will stick up like sore thumbs over the low buildings around them, a constant reminder of their alien status.

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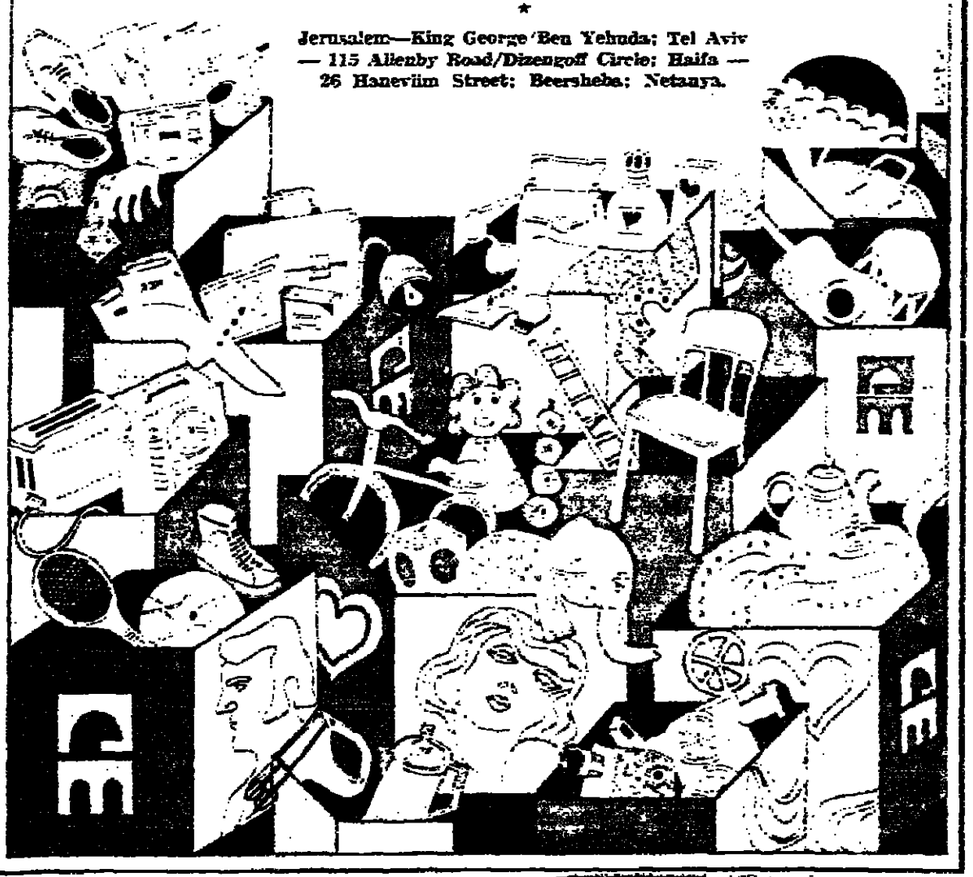

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Airlines buses for Jerusalem

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As a frequent visitor to Jerusalem, may I make two suggestions which, if adopted, would add greatly to the amenities which the capital city of Israel would offer to its visitors.

1. There should be airline buses connecting incoming and outgoing flights, as there are between Lod and Tel Aviv. It is really intolerable that visitors to Jerusalem should either be squeezed into a sherut taxi — and often these do not operate — or be at the mercy of a private taxi driver.

2. There should at long last be an official map of the bus lines in Jerusalem. None but a Jerusalemite — and often even these know only their own particular bus route — can have any clear idea of what bus to take to a given locality. The indicators at bus stops are mostly totally inadequate.

E. S. SCHWAB

El Al replies:

The matter of El Al bus service to Jerusalem has been under discussion for some time. The problem is one of logistics, however, since Jerusalem is four times farther from Lod Airport than Tel Aviv, and the present El Al bus fleet could not undertake service to Jerusalem without being greatly enlarged. In the meantime, Egged and sherut taxis are supposed to provide regular service.

A. SHEERMAN, Spokesman

Lod, December 9.

Egged replies:

We are aware of the need for a bus map but changes are soon to be made on the bus routes of Greater Jerusalem. As soon as these have been implemented, we shall issue a map of all bus routes in the city for the use of its citizens and tourists alike.

A. SHEERMAN, Spokesman

Tel Aviv, December 12.

Russia and the Bible

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With all the threats of war coming from Sadat and the continual succession of events in the Middle East, many are wondering whether the Bible has anything to say about the present situation: God has through the ages predicted with precision the events concerning His people Israel and what is happening today is no exception.

We read in the 38th Chapter of Ezekiel that a great nation situated to the north of Israel will descend upon "a people brought forth out of the nations," and who are "dwelling safely" in the land. In the preceeding chapter of Ezekiel we read about the return of the Jewish people to their land having been resurrected out of the nations in which they were buried through the centuries. As one studies carefully the passages in Ezekiel 38 and 39, it becomes more and more evident that the nation to whom the other nations shall "assemble themselves" and recognize as their "head" is Russia. It is no secret to anyone that the Soviet Union is very much involved in the Near East and especially in Egypt. Not only does this chapter in Ezekiel point out the fact that Israel will be in war with Russia, but that the Russians will be drawn into the war as if God had fixed a "rendezvous" with them on the mountains of Israel. It also states in Verses 13 and 14 that there will be some nations (no doubt America and its Western Allies) that will protest verbally the Russian aggression "to take a prey," but will not become involved in the war. It is at that moment, when Israel is abandoned, so to speak, by all nations — that God Himself will come to the defense of the people whom He has kept through the years and will destroy the northern armies by a divine intervention. He will perform a miracle in Israel's defense as He did in the time of Moses. It is in Israel that Russia will suffer complete defeat. Jerusalem will not be taken and the Israelis will be seven months burying the dead of those who wanted to destroy God's chosen race (Ezekiel 39:14-16.)

A. SOMMERVILLE,
A friend of Israel.

Jerusalem (Toulouse, France), December 15.

OBSERVANT JEW SUPPORTS AUTOPSIES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The voice of the observant community in strongly condemning those fanatics who, in the name of Halacha and religion, persist in their malicious and vitriolic threats against pathologists, is pathetically weak, if not altogether mute.

As one who also aspires to be an observant Jew, I was most gratified to read Mr. Arye Newman's articulate and enlightening letter (December 13) on the subject of autopsies and Halacha.

NAOMI SOBEL

Herzliya, December 13.

WHO PAYS THE FINE?

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — You reported that an Egged driver was fined IL500 by a Jerusalem magistrate and had his licence suspended for three months for closing the door on a passenger (November 17).

I am curious to know who paid the fine: Egged, or the driver, Baruch Tilbor. I also wonder what the man will do during the three months *his licence is suspended; will he* be out of a job, or will Egged transfer him to another job, and if so, what kind of a job? And what will happen to him at the end of the three-month period?

D. ELIAHU

Jerusalem, November 18.

Egged replies:

An Egged member who has contravened traffic laws when driving an Egged bus is brought to court twice: once before a magistrate and again before his Egged colleagues. The fine imposed by the traffic court is paid by Egged, and afterwards the driver is judged by a court of his peers.

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M. SHIFMAN, Spokesman

Tel Aviv, November 28.

MALICIOUS ATTACKS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The malicious attacks on the pathologists and the threatening letters are very hard on those deserving people, but every cloud has a silver lining. Since the agitation started, many people who, before did not care either way have come forward to volunteer to serve science.

EMMY EPSTEIN

Haifa, December 14.

Tel Aviv Youth City

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — We wish to refer to the letter of Mr. Ephraim Guzman, Chairman of the Association for the Protection of Land Owners in Israel which appeared on November 28.

A man like Mr. Guzman should know better than to confuse two entirely different problems. Mr. Guzman apparently heard a rumour, but did not check it. In those lots of the "L" plan which he mentions, the Municipality intends to build schools, an educational centre, vocational schools (three of which are already going up) and a boarding school for approximately 1,000 students from abroad; we are doing this in cooperation with the Jewish Agency and the Ministry of Education and Culture. If Mr. Guzman considers this a "grandiose" scheme, it is his privilege, but I am sure that, had he known the facts, he would not have written what he did.

With regard to Youth City, this is one of the summer projects which the Municipality implements in the Exhibition Gardens in Tel Aviv. Young people spend their summer vacation there engaged in cultural and entertainment programmes which they administer themselves. Youth City attracts tens of thousands of young people each year, and there is certainly nothing "grandiose" about it.

We will defeat our own purpose if, in our campaign against waste and ostentation, we throw out the baby with the bath water. Exaggerations like those of Mr. Guzman cause serious damage to the legitimate and necessary campaign against waste and ostentation.

YOSEF GOLAN, Spokesman
Tel Aviv-Jaffa Municipality

Tel Aviv, November 23.

Foiling the car thief

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I have to disagree with Mr. King's letter regarding a car alarm system (December 12). Mr. King of M.A.K. failed to mention the disadvantages of the "Selmar" car alarm, which he considers virtually foolproof.

The alarm, which works on the principle of two balancing pendulums, is wired through to the horn. When the alarm is set, by means of a key switch when leaving the car, if an entry is forced through any door, window or the boot, or an attempt is made to remove an accessory, the vibrators will move the connection which will sound the horn for 5-10 seconds. That is the theory. In practice, if the pendulum adjustment is too coarse, you can steal any number of accessories, or even slam doors without tripping the alarm. If, however, if is set too fine it will be set off by passing cars, children out for a bit of fun or cats or passers-by leaning on it, etc. If it is windy the alarm has to be readjusted. This is why this alarm has virtually faded out in England.

When I came as an immigrant, and knowing what to expect, I equipped my car with a Selmar alarm. However, it did not take the local children long to find out that, by giving the car a swipe or a kick, you could get a loud enough blast to wake all the neighbourhood. This of course happened interminably until I stopped using the alarm. Only once the alarm failed to rouse us — when someone, no doubt rising to the challenge, removed the car-maker's badge!

J. FRANKEL

Savyon, December 12.

MORE ON FLOWER ARRANGING

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — For the sake of accuracy, I wish to point out that not only was Mr. Pearlman wrong about the time when flower arranging was introduced to Israel (November 26), but so was Mrs. Silverman in her letter to you (December 10).

After having won three first prizes for flower arranging at the Haifa flower show in 1960, the judge of that exhibition, Mrs. Hodes, encouraged me to start teaching flower arranging in Rehovot, which I did and am doing to this date. To the best of my knowledge, Mrs. Hodes herself preceded me with flower-arrangement courses in the Tel Aviv area. And there may have been earlier pioneers in this field.

ERIKA SHOMRONY

Rehovot, December 10.

A PLEASANT CHANGE

The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra; Julius Rudel, conducter; Beverly Sills, Patricia Wise, sopranos; George Shirley, David Hall, tenors; Ara Berberian, bass; Stanley Broza, actor; the Tel Aviv Philharmonic Choir (Binyenei Ha'ooma, Jerusalem, December 16). Mozart: "The Abduction from the Seraglio" — Singspiel in Three Acts, presented in semi-staged performance.

THIS refreshing departure from the conventional symphonic programme, coupled with the additional attraction of this group of fine singers, can only be applauded. The Binyenei Ha'ooma's stage imposed certain limitations on the scenic arrangements, so that the illusionary effects were somewhat modest.

Considering that this is only a Singspiel of 1781 and not a full-fledged dramatic opera, one has to be lenient with the silly plot and the naive libretto, allowing only for sketchy characterization of the figures involved.

The all-compensating factor is Mozart's great music, with its ingenious inspiration, which offers a feast for the mind and ear not only of the *connoisseur*, but for the less sophisticated as well.

The stage action is essentially stationary and the spoken word was wisely cut down to a minimum, merely used as a bridge between the music.

The hero of the story is really Osmin, the "bad man," who is in fact quite lovable, and has been endowed by Mozart with some of his most endearing music. Ara Berberian looked and acted the part to perfection. His strong voice is fine and has a great range and he practically stole the show.

Stanley Broza seemed rather miscast as the Pasha. Very tall and dignified, he looked the perfect English gentleman — cutting an immobile, very decorative figure on stage — and nobody could take him, with his very British accent and intonation, for a Turkish pasha of the 16th century.

Constanza is a sad, melancholy figure, pining for freedom and her young lover. This role severely restricts the singer to a rather static interpretation, with no opportunity for lively or dramatic outbursts. There is a strong similarity with the Countess in "The Marriage of Figaro."

Thus, people expecting fireworks from the celebrated Beverly Sills must have been disappointed through no fault of hers. Apropriately, she was all dignity and restraint. As the accent in this role is in the music, she proved her qualities in beautifully shaping her phrases and singing her lines with perfect command of her voice. Her dead-sure coloraturas were a special treat, although her diction was strangely indistinct.

Vivacious Patricia Wise impersonated her maid with charm, and her light soprano was an ideal vehicle for this part. Her lover, Pedrillo, was given life and humour by David Hall, though his voice is quite limited.

George Shirley (Belmonte) possesses a voice of rare quality; the dark timbre reminds one of a baritone, lending his singing added attraction. His well-developed musical personality shines through each of his lines. Although he appeared rather wooden in his stage movements (most tenors do), any greater emotional involvement would have been out of character with this part.

We would very much like to hear Beverly Sills again in roles which would allow her musical faculties and dramatic temperament to come more to the fore, unfettered by the limitations of Mozart's Constanza.

Julius Rudel directed with sovereignty and kept things moving gently and continuously. The orchestra played with perfect restraint yet without losing expressiveness. The solo quartet (first violin, first cello, flute and oboe) in the second act was a gem of execution and provided some minutes of bliss.

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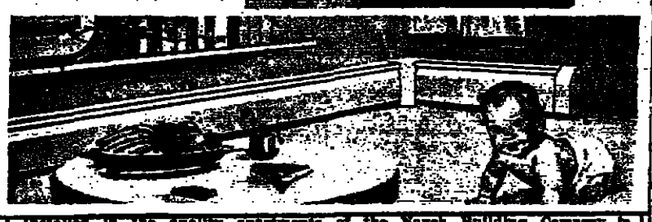

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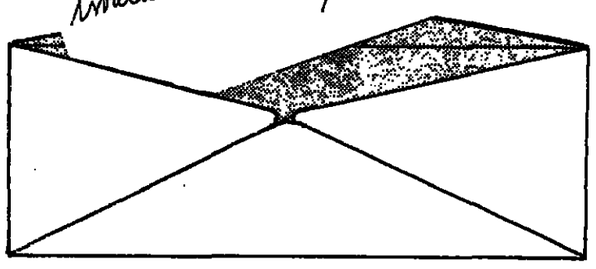

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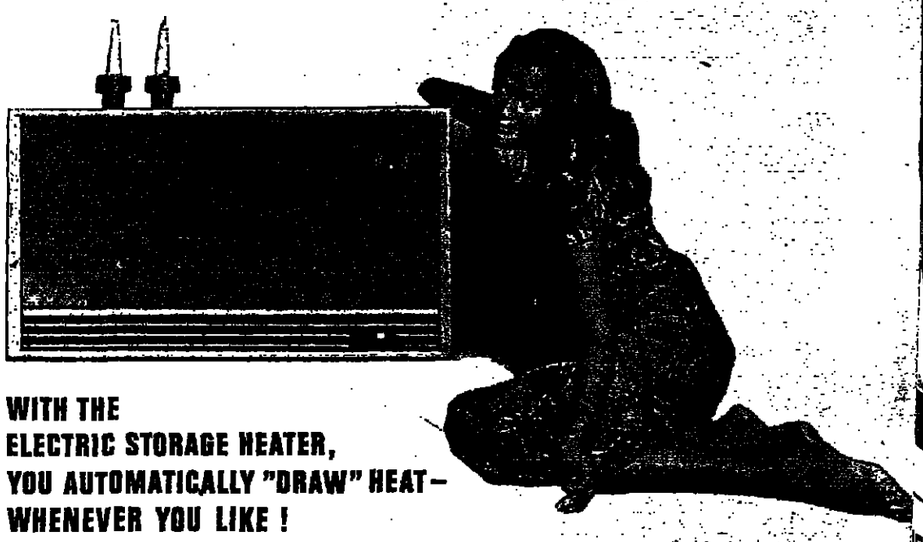

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NETIVEI NEFT 'FORCED' TO TAKE ON ALL JOBS

By HIRSH GOODMAN and DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporters

After three Netivei Neft directors had spent four whole days giving their evidence to the Witkon Commission, it was left to Commission-member Aluf (Res.) Meir Zorea, at 4.55 p.m. yesterday afternoon, to sum up all the claims and counter-claims in one telling question. It was addressed to Mr. Yitzhak Sirkin, the present chairman of Netivei Neft and of Lapidot-Naphtha, and former general manager of Naphtha before it merged with Lapidot.

"Mr. Sirkin," said Aluf Zorea, carefully weighing his words, "No one denies that Netivei Neft succeeded in increasing production considerably at Abu Rodeis. But why did the board think it should handle the oil at Abu Rodeis, oil-prospecting throughout the entire Sinai Peninsula, mineral prospecting in Sinai, marketing of oil in Israel and abroad, and shipping of the oil to foreign ports — and not bother with the A.B.C.s of business management?"

Mr. Sirkin's reply, in turn, was a summation of his own evidence — which began on Thursday and lasted right through yesterday — and that of Netivei Neft directors Israel Koslofi and Israel Dickenstein who testified before him. "We never intended to prospect for minerals," he said, "nor for oil. Although this was included in our prospectus we never considered it in practice and handed over our Sinai rights to Midbar, restricting ourselves to our 'legacy' at Abu Rodeis.

"As regards marketing, I wish we hadn't had to take care of this — but we had no choice: Israel is the leper of the oil world. We have to camouflage ourselves five times over before we can sell our oil. And the customers refuse to come to Ashdod to collect it — they will only take delivery at a European port, so we have to arrange to ship it out to them."

Justice Witkon, Chairman of the Commission: "Oil is like Mifal Hapayis — you can make millions — if you strike luck. At Abu Rodeis you knew you would make a profit and not a loss because you knew you had oil there. Compared with all those millions, what's a few hundred thousand on the side? Do you, Mr. Sirkin, subscribe to that outlook? Why did it take years for Netivei Neft to iron out its administrative problems?"

Mr. Sirkin: "I agree that it would have been better had we reached our present standards earlier. But in the first couple of years all our efforts were directed towards getting the oil out and away. We don't deserve to be hung or shot on our record," he ended, citing a Yiddish adage.

Yitzhak Sirkin at the Netivei Neft inquiry.

The afternoon session, apart from Aluf Zorea's penetrating questions at the end, was spent in a desultory examination of Mr. Sirkin by Mr. Shmuel Hertzig, acting with Mr. Ram Caspi for Dr. David Neev, who brought the original complaint at Netivei Neft. Mr. Sirkin began by denying — as his fellow directors had denied — that Mr. Ya'acov Salman, Director of the State Corporations Authority, had ever demanded financial information from Netivei Neft or complained to him that this was not forthcoming. Asked if he saw any fault in his — and others' — serving on the boards of two or more oil companies which might sometimes be in conflict with each other, Mr. Sirkin said that he did not, and anyway it was Government policy to appoint the same men to various boards.

Did he remember the day in June, 1969, when Shalom Sela, the field manager at Abu Rodeis, had presented him with a long list of complaints about the running of the field by the company? Mr. Sirkin remembered no such list of complaints. Mr. Sela's only complaint on that occasion was that Mr. Friedman had sacked him very suddenly. What about complaints from a worker named Nudelman about equipment being stolen from the field? Mr. Sirkin had never heard of Nudelman. Nudelman must be mistaking him for someone else.

On one point, Mr. Sirkin's evidence conflicted directly with that of Deputy Minister Zvi Dinstein. Dr. Dinstein had told the Commission that he had not given his approval to Naphtha's deal with Continental for 1,000 drilling days in 1965. Mr. Sirkin said he had. He was forced to, because Mr. Hertzig produced Naphtha's board minutes from that year which had Mr. Sirkin telling the directors that he had brought up the point with Dr. Dinstein and received his go-ahead for the deal. (Naphtha has come under criticism for not contracting with Lapidot — a Government-owned concern — to do the drilling.)

The deal concluded, Naphtha advanced Continental IL250,000 to prepare its rig. "Did you check that the money was indeed used for this purpose?" Mr. Hertzig asked Mr. Sirkin. "No, I did not. The money was returned, with interest and linkage," was Mr. Sirkin's firm retort.

Mr. Hertzig began rambling, and Justice Witkon made no effort to hide his impatience, and kept him more or less within the inquiry's terms of reference.

Today Rav-Aluf Zvi Tsur, Special Assistant to the Minister of Defence, will be giving evidence, at first in camera, and then in open court.

During the morning Mr. Sirkin was "surprised" to hear that the equipment which had been hired from Netivei Neft by Naphtha for Continental had never been registered in Naphtha's books.

Asked why Naphta had borrowed equipment for Continental from Netivei Neft instead of appealing to Lapidot, which had idle rigs at the time, Mr. Sirkin, after conceding that "that's a good question," explained that there was no guarantee that Lapidot would not need its rigs in the near future, while there was no chance of this happening with the equipment taken from Netivei Neft — which had stopped all land-drilling operations.

Friedman-Chen friction

Mr. Sirkin cited another reason why Continental preferred to deal with Netivei Neft: There was a great deal of friction between Mr. Friedman and Lapidot's general manager, Mr. Mordechai Chen, he said — a theme which was later expanded and expounded by Mr. Ya'acov Salomon, Mr. Friedman's lawyer.

He would not agree with State Attorney Gavriel Bach, however, that there was anything wrong with Mr. Friedman having borrowed from himself. (At the time Mr. Friedman, in addition to being the owner of Continental, was also the general manager of Netivei Neft.) As far as Mr. Sirkin was concerned the deal was "aesthetic, and I am very sensitive when it comes to aesthetics."

Mr. Sirkin was also asked why Mr. Friedman had decided to borrow the equipment from Netivei Neft through Naphtha, instead of doing so directly himself. He explained that Friedman had appealed to him to do this, since he wanted no direct contact between Netivei Neft and Continental. "He said it was unpleasant," said Sirkin.

"If it was so unpleasant," said Mr. Bach, "don't you think, that just much more care should have been taken to ensure that all equipment borrowed was registered so as to ensure that no discrepancies occurred."

Mr. Sirkin replied that he had not known that the transaction had never been registered — neither with Naphtha nor with Netivei Neft. He said that he had given explicit instructions that all goods be registered, and had no idea why these orders were not carried out.

Mr. Bach then produced Mr. Sirkin's testimony, given to police officers earlier, in which he is quoted as saying that at the time the borrowing of the equipment had been agreed on verbally and not in writing, and that this was why there was no written record of the goods — either entering or leaving either firm.

Again Mr. Sirkin expressed surprise. "I am sure I never told them (the police) that," he said.

Asked why it had been necessary for Continental to borrow the equipment at all, Mr. Sirkin said that some of the company's machinery had broken down. He was stopped in mid-sentence by Mr. Bach, who reminded him that the machinery broke down in May 1968, while the equipment was borrowed in February that same year. Mr. Sirkin could also not explain to the satisfaction of Mr. Bach — who is representing no side at the hearing but is acting as legal adviser to the Commission — why it was only in March 1969 that Mr. Sirkin had asked for formal documentation of the loan from Netivei Neft — some 18 months after the equipment was handed over.

Error was corrected

Mr. Sirkin later admitted that the fact that the equipment was never registered was a "gross error," but pointed out that the error had been corrected once it was noticed — "and it was corrected long before we knew there was going to be an official investigation," he said.

Mr. Sirkin was also questioned at some length as to why it had taken so long for Netivei Neft to organize its stores. He claimed that there was no qualified manpower available at the time to register and catalogue technical stores.

"But Lapidot had 22 unemployed storemen at the time," said Mr. Bach. Mr. Sirkin replied that "one must remember that there was friction between Mr. Friedman and Mr. Chen," and this could, perhaps, have been the reason.

Later Mr. Salomon got Mr. Sirkin to say that Lapidot's general manager, Mordechai Chen, was "jealous" of Mr. Friedman's success and was not at all willing to lend a helping hand at Netivei Neft. "Look, Chen was frustrated," he said. "Here he was sitting with the Heletz fields which after all these years was producing only 60,000 tons of oil, while Mr. Friedman at Netivei Neft was producing six million tons... he was frustrated all right, but then so was I. We just reacted differently."

Mr. Sirkin also produced a table of drilling statistics which, according to him, proved that Continental was a more efficient, cheaper and better company.

In his evidence before the Commission last week Mr. Chen tried to prove that Naphtha employed Continental to do its drilling not for "purely financial and professional considerations."

Mr. Sirkin presented a highly technical list of tables to show that — all things considered — Continental was cheaper than Lapidot. There was some discussion among the Commission members, however, whether Mr. Sirkin's tables were not selective by nature, and thus gave a distorted picture. But, as pointed out by Aluf Meir Zorea, Mr. Chen's tables could also be considered selective. Mr. Sirkin's tables listed all the drilling done for Naphtha by both Lapidot and Continental, while Mr. Chen's list showed only several of the drillings done in what he called "similar areas."

A child can understand it

Among the more intent listeners in the half-empty courtroom yesterday was 12-year-old Guy Grilloff of Tel Aviv, lawyer Ya'acov Salomon's grandson. He was on holiday from school, and insisted on coming to Jerusalem to see his well-known grandfather in action. Did he understand the details of the hearing? Yes he did. (He must be a child prodigy.)

Mr. Salomon himself was less enthusiastic: "This is the first time he has come — and the last," he said firmly — but not firmly enough to conceal his obvious delight at his grandson's interest.

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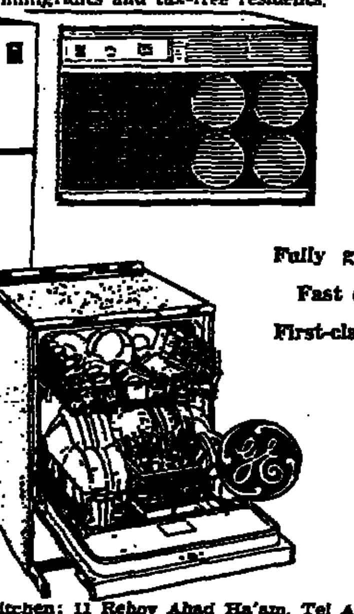

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Hatzofe (National Religious) says that "The Soviet Union, which denounces the 'Israeli aggressor' in the Middle East, has become the chief defender of the Indian aggressor, to the extent of casting its veto in the Security Council. With active Soviet assistance, Pakistan has been truncated and its most populous territory occupied and turned into an Indian satellite. It looks as if following her active part in the Indo-Pakistan war, the Soviet Union will continue to attack Israel and to demand withdrawal from the (Israel-held) territories. Does the active Soviet intervention in the war just ended mean that in the Middle East as well, the U.S.S.R. is also liable to use force, and at the necessary moment the veto, in order to enforce her will? Or will she now act more moderately in the region?"

Al Hamishmar (Mapam), commenting on Washington's attempt to resume the efforts at reaching a special settlement on the Canal, says that it "assures neither the settlement itself nor even the resumption of the talks. However, this initiative is important, since it could release the Egyptian president from his commitments to resume the shooting. Thus, even if the prospects for this particular initiative are none too rosy at the present stage, for the sake of avoiding hostilities any effort is worthwhile."

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(4.00 — 6.45 — 9.00)

AMPHITHEATRE: The Last Run; **ARMON:** The McKenzie Break; **ATZMON:** Katz and Carasso; **BEIT ROTHSCHILD** Le journal d'une femme de chambre, 6.45, 9; **CHEN:** Half and Half; **MAY:** A New Leaf; **MIRON:** Light at the Edge of the World; **MORIAH:** The Baby Maker, 6.45, 9; **ORAH:** The Grasshopper; **ORION:** The Return of Monte Cristo; **ORLY:** Adalaine '31; **PEER:** Fiddler on the Roof, 5, 8.30; **RON:** Gimme Shelter; **SHAVIT:** The Great Elvis Show.

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Saturday, January 1, 1972, Tel Aviv — Mifal Hapayis at 8.30
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FIRST PROGRAMME
256, 340.5 and 221 M.

NEWS: 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00 8.00, 10.00, 11.00 and 12.00 p.m.

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457 and 482 M.

News: 6.05, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, and 12.00 a.m.: 1.00, 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 9.00, 10.20 and 12.15 p.m. 1.00 a.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME

1.58 p.m. Opening. 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Orchestras and their Conductors" — New York Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Leonard Bernstein — Prokofiev: Classical Symphony, opus 25; Bizet: Symphony No. 1 in C-major. 3.50 The Daily "Mishna" — talk. 4.04 "The Story Behind the Music" — "In a Popular Vein" — The Twentieth Century (second programme). 4.40 Lesson in Arabic. 4.55 Book Review. 5.04 Announcements. 5.5 Music to relax by — Schumann: "Julius Ceasar" Overture opus 128 (Conductor: George Solti); Dick Hyman: "Concerto Electro" (Soloist: Composer; Conductor: Nick. Perito) first performance in Israel; Groven: Norwegian Dance Suite (Conductor: Rudolf Schwartz). 5.55 Announcements. 6.07 Excerpts from the daily Hanukka broadcasts. 6.55 For the Farmer — Daily News Service. 7.05 "This Day" — People and Events in the News. 7.30 "A Bit of Music." 7.50 Bible Reading: Melachim II. chaps. 17 & 18. 8.09 Announcements. 8.10 Musical Miniatures. 8.45 On Science and Science fiction (repeat). 9.40 Silvia Shamai — Soprano; Ruth Menze — Piano — Yardena Aloting: "From the Songs of the Brook." Song Cycle to verses by Leah Goldberg; Benjamin Britten: arr. folk songs. 10.04 Tonight's Programmes. 10.05 "Mozart" — Notes and Letters" (recorded at a public performance, the Israel Museum, 11.12. 71) Participants: Cila Grossmeyer — Soprano; Uri Shoham — Flute; Menachem Breuer — Violin; Ze'ev Steinberg — Viola; Zvi Harel — Cello; Eldad Neumark — Piano; Reading: Michael Varshaviak, Zalman Leviush, Galia Nativ, Hanoch Rosen. Gallia Oren: — Aria from "Il re Pastore." Flute Quartet. K. 285; Andante from Sonata for Piano and Violin, K. 380; Two Movements from Divertimento K. 563, Movement I from the Piano Quartet K. 487; The Songs: "Louise." "An Chloe." "Das Veilchen" — Producers: Ada Brodsky and Avi Hanani. 12.05 a.m. Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

6.00 a.m. Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.58 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 Press Review. 7.15 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 "From A to Z." 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.). 9.49 The Small Ad Corner. 10.05 Housewife's Corner. 12.07 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 "At Midday" — News and Music. 2.08 Press Review. 2.10 Where to Go. 2.35 This is Rivka Michaeli. 3.53 "Encore" — ed. by S. Rosen. 4.07 Hit Parade for Old Songs. 4.30 Quiz by S. Rosen. 4.35 Hit Parade (cont.). 6.40 Sport. 6.49 The Small Ad Corner. 6.59 Close Down.
9.05 p.m. A Telephone Quiz Game. 9.54 Light Music. 10.04 "Till Midnight." 12.05 Music with a light flavour. 1.05 a.m. Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR

7.00 p.m. News in Easy Hebrew: The Work and Scientific Institutions. Hebrew for Beginners; News, Headlines. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian. 9.00 Close Down.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE

Instructional: 4.00 English 5. 4.15 Geometry 6. 4.34 Interview with Prof. A. Katzir. 4.52 Chess for Beginners (Lesson 3.).
Children's Programme: 5.30 p.m. Dr. Doolittle. 5.51 My Friends all over the world.
Arabic Programme: 6.00 Sport. 6.30 Folklore. 6.57 Programme Announcements. 7.00 News.
Hebrew Programme: 7.30 p.m. Youth Magazine. 8.00 Mabat. 8.30 Poetry Reading. 8.35 Moked. 9.20 The Saint: "The Man Who Gambled with Life." 10.00 News.

FOURTH PROGRAMME
497, 443 and 292 M.

News in English: 7.00 a.m., 1.30 and 8.30 p.m. News in French: 7.15 a.m., 2.00 and 8.45 p.m.
Arabic Programme: 5.58-7.00 a.m., 7.30-9.00 a.m., 10.58 a.m.-1.30 p.m., 2.30-3.30 p.m.; 9.00 p.m.-12.15 a.m.

ENGLISH PROGRAMMES
497, 292, 443, 42 M.
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7.00 a.m. News and Israel Press Review. 1.30 p.m. Jerusalem Calling — News and Sound Pictures of Life in Israel. 8.30 Newsdesk — News and Newsreel.

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ARMY PROGRAMME
216, 225 and 255 M.

11.00 a.m. Request Programme. 11.15 From the British Hit Parade. 11.30 Noontime Guest. 12.00 News. 12.05 Requests (cont.). 12.10 From Everywhere. 12.30 A Moment's Query. 12.35 Requests (cont.). 1.00 News. 1.05 Hebrew Songs— request programme. 1.30 "How to get along in Arabic." 1.35 Requests (cont.). 1.55 Announcements for Soldiers. 2.00 News. 2.05 Personal Announcements. 2.10 Close Down.
2.57 p.m. Opening Announcements. 3.00 News. 3.05 "Please Call" — with Shmuel Shai. 4.00 News. 4.05 "Please Call" (cont.). 4.50 Stories of the 19th Century. 5.00 News. 5.05 Requests. 5.40 Zahal's Diary. 6.00 News. 6.05 Tonight — Studio No. 2 — with Daniel Bloch. 7.00 News. 7.05 Foreign Hit Parade. 8.00 News. 8.05 Hit Parade (cont.). 9.00 News. 9.05 My Hit Parade with Moshe Argov. 10.00 News. 10.05 with Shmulik Segal. 11.00 News. 11.05 Tonight's Discussion. 12.00 News. 12.05 Close Down.

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Engineers declare 'non-cooperation' over division of functions

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — The Association of Engineers and Architects in Israel has instructed members to cease cooperation with the authorities in supervising the law which sets limits on what non-graduate technicians may construct or perform. The Association will supervise the law itself from next Friday, its Executive Committee has decided.

Under a 1958 law, supervision should have been undertaken by an Engineers Advisory Council, appointed by the Minister of Labour. The Ministry, however, has not yet issued the appropriate instructions, allegedly because it does not want a conflict with the Technicians' Union. The technicians object to many of the limitations on their functions laid down by the Katchalsky Committee which defined the task of each occupation.

The technicians have threatened to strike if the Katchalsky Committee list is not amended to fit their demands. The Engineers and Architects Association, however, claims that for the safety of the population, projects of certain dimensions should be supervised by graduate experts only.

ACTION ILLEGAL

Mr. Arieh Gurel, Director-General of the Labour Ministry, told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that the Association's projected action would be illegal, as only the Government has power to supervise the law. However, he added that "the engineers have been very patient till now in the face of the lengthy delays caused by the stand of the Technicians Union."

The Minister of Labour has decided to ask the Attorney-General whether it is obligatory to set up the Council — and, if so, whether it is legally possible to do so without the participation of one of the parties, Mr. Gurel explained that these questions will be sent to the Attorney-General within the next few days, and he was unable to say exactly when the replies would be forthcoming. He did, however, state that it wouldn't be possible to establish the Engineers Advisory Council by Friday, the deadline set by the Engineers Association.

The major stumbling block is the demand by the Technicians Union that the Minister give a prior undertaking that their status will not be changed by the Council, Mr. Gurel explained.

Employers told to freeze private wage negotiations

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Committee of the Employers' Bureau yesterday instructed all member firms to stop private wage negotiations for the time being. It resolved *that an overall scale of wages* should be established between the employers and the Histadrut before details of the contracts are negotiated in specific trades.

The Coordinating *Bureau* of Economic Enterprises was to meet last night under the chairmanship of Mr. Mark Mosevics to decide on further steps in wage negotiations.

Meanwhile, several *Histadrut* unions have published their ideas about the forthcoming wage agreements. The Union of College Graduates in the Humanities and Social Sciences requested to *raise* the ceiling for Cost-of-Living allowances from IL700 to IL1,200. The huge Clerical Union also wants the ceiling to be raised to IL1,200 — but it also requests a general rise of basic salaries by five to seven per cent. The food industry workers want to raise seniority allowances up to 15 years.

The Civil Service Union declared that its members must be assured — that any improvement accorded to workers in other trades would automatically be extended to civil servants.

HISTADRUT BUDGET APPROVED

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut Central Committee yesterday approved a IL76,088,000 budget for the Labour Federation in the coming year. Ratification by the Executive is a foregone conclusion.

Mr. Yehoshua Levy, Histadrut Treasurer, said IL64m. will be covered by membership fees, and the rest will come from contributions of Histadrut-sponsored economic enterprises and services, as well as the Histadrut Campaign abroad.

Mr. Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, Secretary-General of the Histadrut, said each department will have to devise its budget "to conform with the ultimate goal of the movement and in keeping with the natural and practical image of the Histadrut." A detailed plan to economize in expenses will be presented to the Executive, Mr. Ben-Aharon promised.

The four surviving quintuplets of Yitzhak and Hadassah Berman, Jerusalem, pictured at Hadassah yesterday after the three at left emerged from their incubators. Kalman, at right, made his debut last week. (Israeli)

Radio, TV to get 'code' for writing newscasts

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A code to guide radio and television editors in compiling news broadcasts is to be drawn up by the Broadcasting Authority. The Authority's Management Committee yesterday assigned the Authority's Director-General, Mr. Shmuel Almog, to draft proposals for a "system of procedures on the professional, fair, and balanced handling of news and newsreel broadcasts."

The code should set forth "procedures and criteria, and the levels of authority, for taking decisions "as adopted in public broadcasting services abroad," it decided. Local broadcasting services at present have no code at all, and there are no rules as to who decides on news broadcasts — whether reporter, editor, department chief, or higher, an Authority source said.

Mr. Almog intends to consult with news staff before formulating his proposals, the source said.

The Management Committee decided on the need for a code following the recent staff disputes over news handling.

The Management Committee yesterday issued a statement condemning "incitement" against Mr. Almog and "the malicious and groundless rumours that his term of office was to be cut short." Mr. Almog's term has two more years to go. The Authority statement referred mainly to a report in a morning newspaper Friday, a spokesman said.

Millers to resume work

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Manufacturers Association yesterday ordered the mills organized within its framework to start work again. (At the end of last week, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry issued an order sending them back to work, but the millers sought to ignore it.)

Yesterday, during a conversation between Dr. Avraham Shavit, deputy president of the Association, and Mr. Gideon Lahav, Director-General of the Ministry, it was *decided that the Ministry* would see that each mill got a fair quota of the available work.

The millers declared a shut-down, alleging cut-throat competition, with several *mills cornering* a large share of the work by offering lower prices. The wheat importers thus forced the remaining mills to lower their prices. This caused grave losses to most of the millers.

Several hundred attend Jerusalem's seasonal reception

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Church leaders, diplomatic representatives and Arab dignitaries were among the several hundred guests who last night attended the annual reception hosted by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek to mark *Hanukka, Id el-Fitr and Christmas.*

Among those seen at the event, held in the chambers of the Municipal Council, were the Dutch Ambassador Gerrit Jan Jongejans, consular representatives of the U.S., Britain and Turkey; the Apostolic Delegate, Msgr. Pio Laghi; Supreme Court justices, members of the Knesset, Councillors and a large number of Jerusalem area *mukhtars.*

5 boys accused of pasting up anti-autopsy bills

Five youths — three 18-year-olds and two minors — were arraigned before Judge Meir Midin in Jerusalem yesterday, accused of plastering anti-autopsy posters on walls.

All five denied the charges, and their hearing was postponed till February. The three named were identified as Avraham Silberman, Yitzhak Dimant, and Yosef Gutman — all of Jerusalem. The two minors are from Jerusalem and Petah Tikva. Their names were withheld.

The charge sheet alleges that the suspects pasted posters in various places in the Old City, including on a wall near the entrance to the Franciscan Monastery and near a shop. *(Itim)*

Rabbi's daughter gets court order on draft issue

A rabbi's daughter, whose application for exemption from military service on religious grounds was rejected, secured an order from the High Court of Justice yesterday calling on the Ministry of Defence and the exemptions committee to show cause why they should not refrain from conscripting her.

The Court also issued a temporary injunction against drafting the girl, Sarah Barazani, until the end of the hearings on the order. Her father is the rabbi of moshav Beit Yosef in the Beisan Valley.

Miss Barazani's lawyer, Mr. M. Shapiro, of Bnei Brak, stated that his client is a religious girl; but because of the committee's hostility, she had broken down and been unable to answer their questions about Jewish festivals. She could not say how many days there were in Pessah and Rosh Hashana, but had answered most of the other questions correctly, he said.

The lawyer categorically dismissed a claim that Miss Barazani wore mini-skirts. He also claimed that conscripting her would detract from her father's status as a spiritual leader and would diminish the faith of his congregation.

Mr. Shapiro also charged that one member of the exemptions committee, Rabbi Shitrit of Tiberias, had not been invited to the meeting at which his client's case was decided. *(Itim)*

Compromise suggested for Jaffa Gate cabs

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jerusalem Transport Committee yesterday put forward a compromise solution for the Jaffa Gate taxi problem.

Three of the 22 taxis in the rank will be permitted to park at their old station, outside the Gate, on a rotation basis until next Pessah. At that time, a IL400,000 renovation of the entire area fronting Jaffa Gate is expected to be completed. The taxis will then be relegated to a position 50 metres below the Gate.

The bus stops, at present situated near the Gate entrance, will also be moved down the slope. Renovation work is to begin next month.

No representative of the Taxi Drivers Association could be found last night. It is not known how the drivers will take to this solution.

64 NEW SOCIAL workers received their diplomas yesterday at a ceremony at the Social Welfare Ministry's Institute for Training Social Workers in Jerusalem.

Demand higher prices for commercial culls

Citrus growers: we'll bury fruit rather than sell it cheap to canners

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The citrus growers yesterday threatened to bury some 500,000 tons of "commercial culls," rather than sell them at low prices to the canning industry.

This was stated yesterday by Mr. Eliahu Izakson, chairman of the citrus section of the Farmers Federation.

Mr. Izakson said the citrus section, which consists of private farmers, *produces 40 per cent of the* citrus raised in Israel. "And the cooperative sector has informed us that they will follow in our footsteps." He added that "this is no *idle threat — in 1951 we did bury* the fruit."

(Mr. Menahem Savidor, chairman of the Citrus Products Canning Board, however, told *The Jerusalem Post* that he did not take the threat seriously. "After all," he said, "it will cost the farmers more to bury the fruit than to ship it to our canneries. We can't raise the price we pay for the fruit without raising the price of the juices. If we do so, we will price ourselves out of the foreign markets. The private sector has a canning plant, Pardess, and its managers see things our way.")

Mr. Izakson based his argument for higher prices on the findings of the committee headed by Mr. Avraham Brom, Director-General of the Ministry of Agriculture. This committee had ruled that the price *paid for "commercial culls"* should be based on the price such fruit could bring abroad.

Until now, he continued, the canners have been paying us on a *"cost-minus" basis "First they sign* a contract abroad for their products; then they figure out the cost of labour, material, shipping and marketing; then they take their profit. *What is left over, they pay us, and tell us to be thankful."*

There was no reason to be "thankful" he said. Years ago the culls might have been rejects fit for no commercial purpose other than canning. But today, "commercial culls" consist of about 40 per cent of all the citrus grown. These "commercial culls" are not rejects, but good (albeit not first) quality fruit.

The citrus growers will fight to have the findings of the Brom Committee enforced. Thus, a ton of Shamuti (Jaffa) oranges, for example, should bring the growers IL107.

The canners are only offering last year's price of IL74.50 a ton, plus a small addition of IL3 a ton. (Last year, the farmers also got a Government subsidy of IL7 a ton plus IL17 *a ton from a joint* Government-Fruit Marketing Board fund. The farmers want to receive both of these grants this year, in addition to the IL107 a ton they are *demanding.)*

Mr. Izakson concluded by claiming "the price we are demanding will only cover our costs. Next year, we want to make a profit, *so we will increase our demands."*

Asked if paying these prices would not price the juices out of the foreign markets, he said that "the Brom Committee knew what it was doing when it suggested the new arrangements."

Gems lost, then found, aboard French airliner

LOD AIRPORT. — This airport was the scene of excitement over the week-end, after the pilot of an Air France jet *en route* from the Far East radioed the tower to report that a packet of diamonds valued at $280,000 was missing aboard his plane.

Airport police were requested to prepare to search the plane when *it came in for* a stopover, and Lod police began their search moments after the plane landed. However, after a while, the captain asked them to stop their hunt, explaining *he preferred to continue to Paris* where a more thorough search could be made. He told police that, to the best of his knowledge, the gems had been loaded into the *freight compartment and he feared* they might have been removed before the compartment had been sealed.

When the jet landed in Paris, French police searched the plane and found the package of diamonds — hidden among some packages. They were consigned to a Paris businessman. *(Itim)*

Nature unit calls for volunteers

TEL AVIV. — The Nature Reserves Authority is so short of money that it issued an appeal yesterday for volunteer wardens for the country's nature reserves.

In a press communique, Authority head Avraham Yoffe asked interested persons to call the Authority, at 30841 (in Tel Aviv), or drop them a postal card, at 16 Rehov Hanatziv. Only persons owning cars can be accepted.

Munich Mayor here for synagogue opening

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Mayor of Munich, Dr. Hans Vogel, yesterday took part in the dedication ceremony of the Ihud Shivat Zion Communal Centre here. The Munich *Municipality donated 200,000 marks* for the building.

The centre includes a synagogue, youth club, senior citizens' club and auditorium. It is in Rehov Ben-Yehuda, and it cost IL3m.

The dedication ceremony included a prayer session conducted by the City's Ashkenazic Chief Rabbi, Rabbi Shlomo Goren. Also present at the ceremony were the Minister for Religious Affairs, Dr. Zerah Warhaftig; the Minister of Interior, Yosef Burg; and Mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz.

Technion shows new, cheaper way to cast metals

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Experts at the Technion's Metals Institute yesterday demonstrated a new and cheap method for casting intricate forms developed at the Institute. Using polystyrene moulds, which are easy and inexpensive to make, they can cast almost any metal without the need for an expensive mould-making system.

In a press tour at the Institute, which is to open a new wing tomorrow, the experts also gave details of a prototype drivers' seat *they have developed, which is aimed* at eliminating backaches, especially during long journeys. The aim is achieved through a system of springs which adjust from very flexible to unyielding as road conditions change.

The Institute, which advises the metal industry and carries out research in its six laboratories, now has a staff of 50. This year its turnover reached IL1.3m., compared to only IL550,000 before the Six Day War. Government support amounts to only seven per cent of the turnover, which limits its opportunities to engage in long-range research, the press was told.

The Institute's 300 clients are mostly from the defence industry, or from private industry producing for the defence establishment.

The Institute heads announced that they are now assuming control over the production of spare parts for heavy vehicles, trucks and buses, with a view to introducing standardization.

Beit Shemesh firm to double engine exports

LOD AIRPORT. — Beit Shemesh Engines Ltd. expects to export motors and engines valued at $500,000 to several European countries in 1972, Mr. Aharon Nahshon, director of the company, said here last week-end, upon his return from Europe.

This year the company sold *$250,000 worth of its products* abroad.

According to Mr. Nahshon, the bulk of the firm's exports are 1,100-horse-power turbo-engines used for various manufacturing purposes, and in pumping stations. *(Itim)*

Shippers warn they'll impose congestion fees

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Cables from the shipping conferences arrived here yesterday announcing their intention to impose congestion surcharges on Haifa and Ashdod Ports if the congestion is not eased within a few days. The surcharges would put a heavy burden on the country's foreign trade.

Meanwhile, the Government order obliging all vessels to call at only one port — Haifa or Ashdod — went into force yesterday, by agreement of all shipping circles. This should cause an immediate improvement for the owners. In addition, the port managers have been ordered by the Authority to engage another 300 men in each port immediately. It is hoped that, if the dry weather holds, a considerable improvement will be achieved during the week, which may satisfy the conferences.

It was noted that the bad weather had been the main cause of the congestion, coupled with the arrival of a large number of ships from Italy, in an effort to beat a port strike in Italy which, it is feared, may break out again. Work in Gaza Port is to be stepped up, too, with two ships at a time from next week, which should further improve the situation — provided the weather holds.

FUNERAL HELD FOR RAV-TURAI AVINOAM

TEL AVIV. — High-ranking army officers and public figures were among the crowd that turned out here yesterday for the funeral of Rav-Turai Gal Avinoam, 19, of Tel Aviv, who was killed in a clash with terrorists in Gaza on Friday.

Avinoam, who is survived by his parents — Ora and Yitzhak Avinoam — and a sister, was eulogized by Chaplain Baskt of the Southern Command.

A sixth-generation Israeli, Corporal Avinoam was a graduate of the Tichon Hadash Secondary School here, where he served as chairman of the Student Council.

Two weeks ago he completed an army squad leader's course and, having passed his entrance examinations for officers' school, was to begin the course shortly. *(Itim)*

TEL AVIV STOCKS

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Jerusalem Post Financial Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The devaluation of the dollar, and the revaluation of the German mark and other currencies, yesterday created a hesitant attitude in Rehov Lilienblum. Most of the brokers did not know how to react, and are waiting for the opening of the markets in Europe to see which way to jump.

Nevertheless, yesterday there appeared to be a definite "weakening" of the DM, which fell by two points to IL1.50; and there were indications that it would fall still further. On the other hand, the dollar appeared to be in a stronger position — although it remained at IL4.54, the same price as before the announcement of the realignment of foreign currencies. Gold, however, fell. A kilogramme now stands at IL6,600 (it was IL6,720 on Friday).

On the stock market, the investment dollar remained at IL4.33, with the turnover being $59,400. Dollar-linked bonds were irregular, but index-linked rose slightly. The turnover in bonds was IL2,119,700.

The turnover in stocks was *IL721,600, with the trend slightly* upwards. Of this, IL272,000 was in the variables.

Electra was in demand in the variables, although it remained unchanged in the opening round. Ordinary stock rose in the variables from 150 to 156, and A shares from 127.5 to 130.

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5% Dead Sea Junior	199	197
6% Electric Corp. Tranche A	121.5	124.5
6% Electric Corp. Tranche B	125.8	128.3
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Capital and Investment)		
Milve Klita 1965	164.3	164.3
Bitahon 1968	130.6	130.6
Bitahon 1969	122.7	122.7
SHARES		
Electric Corp. — O.	58	57.5
Union Bank of Israel — O.	128.5	129.5
Otzar Hit. Havehudim — O.S.	191	190.5
I.D.B. Co. — O.	140.5	140.5
Gen. Mortgage Bank — O.	145.5	145.5
Pal.-British Bank — O.	146.5	146
Israel Discount Bank — "A" O.	280	280
Mizrachi Bank Ltd. — O.	138	138
Carmel Mort. & In. Bk. — "O"	112	114
Bank Leumi — "A" O.S.	243.5	243.6
Mg. & In. Bk. for Bldg.—"D" O.	103.5	102.5
Bank Hapoalim — 10% P.O.	228	226
Industrial Dev. Bk. — 8% P.O.	55	85
Develop. & Mortg. Bank — O.T.	180	178.5
Housing Mortg. Bank — O.	146.5	147.5
G.U.S.-Rassco — O.	86	89.5
Israel Cent. Tr. & Inv.	131	128.5
Hasseneh Insurance Co. — O.	117	117
Wolfson, Clore, Mayer—O. IL1	102	102
Wolfson, Clore, Mayer—O. IL10	59.5	58
Tefahot Isr. Mor. Bank 8% P.O.	142	136
Tefahot Is. Mortg. Bank — O.	140	134.5
Sahar — "C" O.	95.5	95.5
Azorim — O.	91	88.5
Africa-Pal. Investment—O. IL10	148	148
Israel Land Dev. Co. — O.R.	118	118
Isr. Land Dev. Co. — 60/61 O.T.	118.5	117.5
I.C.P. Israel Citrus Plant.—O.	56	56
Property & Build. Corp. — O.	139	139
Mehadrin	145	145
Pri Or Ltd.	129.5	129.5
Anglo-Israel Investors — O.	93	96
Rassco — 8% P.O.T.	56.5	56.5
Rassco — O.	39	39
Isras	—	—
Neot Aviv — O.	40.5	40
Alliance — R.T.	626	630
"Elco" Isr.El.-Mech. In.—O.T.	90	89.5
"Argaman" — 8% P.O.T.	180	180
"Ata" — "C" O.	111.5	111
Motor House — O.	32	31
Dubek — 8% P.O.T.	188.5	188
Cold Stor. & Supp. Co.—O. IL10	92	92.6
Elect. Wire & Cable Co. — O.	114.5	114.5
Solel Boneh — 10% "A" P.O.	122	122
Lighterage Supply Co. — O.	73	73.5
Chemicals & Phosphates — O.	51	50.5
Lewin Epstein — 8% P.O.T.	60	60.5
Moller Textile — O.	125.5	126.5
Nechushtan — 8% P.O.T.	142	141.5
Teva — O.T.	772	792
Phoenecia — 8% P.O.T.	63.5	63.5
Paper Mills — O.	175.5	176.5
Assis "B" — O.	162	160.5
Shemen 8% — P.O.T.	76	75.5
"Taal" Man. of Plywood — O.	114.5	114.5
Delek "C" — O.	122.5	123
Elgar — O.	57.5	56.5
Ellern Invest. Co. — O.	125	127
Bank Hapoalim Inv. Co. — O.	146.5	140.5
Export Bank Inv. Co. — O.	46	46
Paz Investment Develop. — O.	65.5	65.5
Ampa Investment — O.	75	78
Discount Bank Inv. Cor. — O.T.	163.5	164
Japhet Bank Invest. Co. — O.	130	130
Bank Leumi Invest. C. — O.	179.5	179.5
Foreign Trade Invest. C. — O.	61.5	61.5
Mizrahi Inv. Corp. — O.	114	114
Hapoel Hamizrahi Inv. C.—O.	40	40
"Piryon" Inv. Trust—"B" Sh.	51	51
Clal Isr. Inv. Co. — O.	99	99
Naphtha — O.T.	61	61
Lapidoth — O.	106.5	106.5

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EIGHTH CANDLE:

First Israel mission abroad sends in gift

As the last candle was lit last night The Jerusalem Post Toy Fund had IL27,745.70 in cash donations (IL1,243.95 came in yesterday). But since we started late, we are continuing beyond Hanukka, and will be delighted to receive all contributions still outstanding. You are not too late — so keep the contributions coming.

Two letters out of yesterday's bag need special mention. Ten-year-old David Nussbaum of Jerusalem wrote: "I have a weekly savings box. I am 10 years old — and here is my cheque for IL05." And from Johannesburg, the staff of the Consulate-General of Israel sent along $15. This is the first donation of our representatives abroad to turn up this year. Bad weather has surely slowed the mail at the moment.

As we continue with our plans, which can only be finalized when all donations are in, requests mount up. If the Toy Fund is to answer all calls, we still need more help from our kind readers.

Contributors of yesterday include:

TOY FUND LIST

IL5 — Zev & Meyer Bloom and Joe Weyer, Cleveland, Ohio.
IL35 — For my mother Alice Morini.
$5 — Ellen & Joseph Goldwyn, Ann Arbor, Mich. The staff of Consulate-General of Israel in Johannesburg, S.A.
$5 — Raby & Stanley Strauss and Tom, Ken & Andy, South Orange, N.J.
IL50 — Haifa Theatres Ltd., Israel.
[illegible] General Bonded & [illegible] Haifa, Lodge of [illegible] Jerusalem.
$10 — [illegible] Sharon [illegible] A. Schmerl [illegible]
IL25 — [illegible] Jerusalem.
IL20 — From A[illegible] [illegible] Haifa. [illegible] for Ruth. [illegible] Yakin — [illegible]
IL27 — Hanukka party — Hilde Lourenz — in memory of her mother [illegible]
IL25 — [illegible] in memory of our dear [illegible] Kleiner.
IL20 — [illegible] in memory of Erna & Walter Ney.
IL18 — Anna & Hanni Rittenberg [illegible] Andrea & Nancy [illegible]
IL15 — For [illegible] Amit, Ehud & Ariel [illegible] grandmother.
IL14 — Danny [illegible] Yam.
IL12 — For my grandchildren [illegible] and Emily.
$2.45 — [illegible] Van Naym, Ca[illegible]
IL10 — In honour of Mr. [illegible] Barach [illegible] Jerusalem — [illegible] and Mara [illegible] Barach [illegible] Jerusalem — [illegible] Hanna [illegible] Ramat Gan [illegible]
IL6 — For our six grandchildren [illegible] from their grandparents [illegible]
IL5 — For Mara [illegible] Hoffman [illegible] November [illegible]
IL3 — [illegible] Tel Aviv.

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will be held tomorrow night at BEIT TAVORI 7 Rehov Shulamit, Tel Aviv and not at the previously announced address.

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TODAY'S POSTBAG

30 SCHOOL CHILDREN, members of the Holon Youth Parliament, yesterday called on Knesset Speaker Reuven Barkatt, who explained the workings of the House to them.

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A CIVIL DEFENCE drill will be held in Jaffa today, including air-raid alarms and staged incidents of bombing and fires with casualties. In the event of a genuine alarm, undulating blasts will be sounded on the sirens.

1,000 prepare for *haj* from West Bank

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Over 1,000 West Bank Moslems have already applied to the military governors in Judea and Samaria for travel permits to Saudi Arabia for this year's *haj*, the pilgrimage to Mecca.

Official sources said yesterday they expected the number of pilgrims this time to exceed last year's, when about 1,500 made the journey commencing on [illegible] (the Feast of Sacrifice), which falls towards the end of next month.

Representatives of West Bank municipalities will be leaving for Amman soon with the lists of pilgrims. Amman provides local travellers with special pilgrimage documents to enable them to enter Saudi Arabia.

Jordan has said it will provide the required papers to pilgrims coming from Gaza. A Jordanian spokesman, however, noted that the bus companies which will be transporting the Gaza travellers to Saudi Arabia have been asked to provide the Jordanian Government with guarantees in the form of [illegible] to ensure that the pilgrims return home after the *haj.*

Meanwhile, there was no word by last night from Saudi Arabia about Hebron Mayor Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'abari's second appeal to King Feisal to permit the Moslems of Israel to make the pilgrimage. Earlier, Sheikh Ja'abari quoted an emissary as conveying the Saudi King's approval to the request, but the Saudi Government later issued a denial, stressing that only the Moslems of the administered territories would be allowed into Saudi Arabia.

Petah Tikva gets 800-dunam park

PETAH TIKVA. — An 800-dunam Yarkon Springs Park is to be laid out by the Petah Tikva Municipality with an outlay of IL[illegible]. This was announced at a [illegible] yesterday at the [illegible] of the [illegible] Antipatris Fortress near Rosh Ha'ayin.

Taking part were the Mayor of Petah Tikva, Mr. Y. [illegible], and the chairman of the Board of the Jewish National Fund, Mr. Yaakov Tsur. The JNF has put the land which contains many dunams of groves, at the disposal of the Municipality. *(Itim)*

BAR-LEV

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[illegible] power now and what it was 17 months ago when the cease-fire went into effect."

As the Chief of Staff sees it, the Russians are not interested in a new round of fighting between Israel and the Arabs at present. "But if they are not in fact pushing the Egyptians into battle, it does not mean that they can effectively prevent them from opening fire." He feels that the U.S.S.R. has become more self-confident since the Indo-Pakistan war, but that "the war of attrition has taught the Soviet Union that it cannot accomplish anything through limited intervention, and it is not interested in a massive intervention. They know they cannot intimidate us with that either."

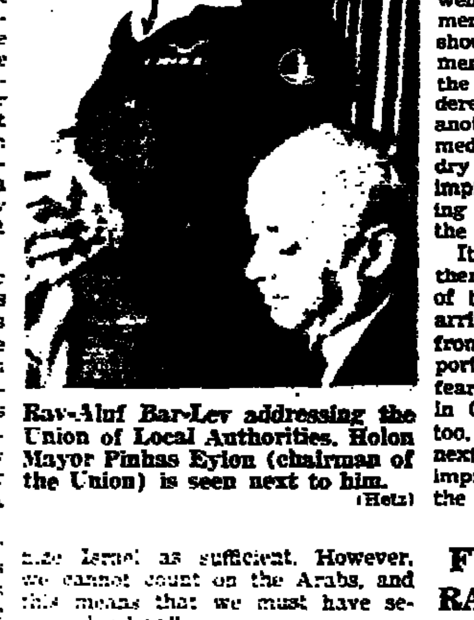
"If, despite all the lack of logic inherent in the move, Sadat does decide to start fighting, Israel's objectives in a new war would be to prevent the Egyptians from making any territorial gain whatever and to bring the Arabs to as speedy a cessation of fire as possible. We do not need as many months as we did during the war of attrition to break them," R.A. Bar-Lev stated.

The Chief of Staff, who will be leaving his post in two weeks, sees the trend of current developments as very favourable for Israel in the long term. Our firm stand in the past few years is clearly bearing fruit, even if the results are not always immediately discernible. There is a cumulative result which we can now begin to see. We are far more powerful now than we were in 1969. The Suez front is still quiet, the southern front is nonexistent and the terrorists have been rendered [illegible] in actual power and in prestige."

As far as long-range considerations are involved, "Israel cannot depend on any international guarantees, on vague statements of goodwill on the part of the Arabs," R.A. Bar-Lev warned. He said that if he knew that he was facing Danes or Swiss on the other side of the frontier, he would consider a statement of readiness to recognize Israel as sufficient. However, we cannot count on the Arabs, and this means that we must have secure borders."

A secure border, according to the Chief of Staff, is one which would not enable the other side "to force us to go to war by a unilateral act which need not even involve the firing of one shot. If we do not sit in Sharm e-Sheikh, for example, the Arabs can easily close the straits, as they did in 1967.

"A secure border should also enable us to carry on with normal everyday life despite military preparations on the other side. In 1957 we had to mobilize when the Egyptians brought several divisions to our borders, as they were so close to the centres of population. At present, we are able to cope with all their preparations without general mobilization but with the regular army itself."



Rav-Aluf Bar-Lev addressing the Union of Local Authorities. Holon Mayor Pinhas Eylon (chairman of the Union) is seen next to him. (Hetz)

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Elections throughout West Bank in spring

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

March 28, 1972 has been set as the date for new municipal elections in 10 towns in Samaria, the military authorities announced yesterday.

The announcement confirms a report first published in *The Jerusalem Post* last Friday, that voting is to be held in the coming year in all towns in Judea and Samaria. In addition to the 10 towns listed yesterday, others are expected to hold elections not later than May 30.

The 10 towns with the earlier election date are all in Samaria. They are Jericho, Ya'abad, Toubas, Arraba, Nablus, Salfit, Kalkilya, Tulkarm, Jenin and Inibta.

An order is expected to be published next month announcing the dates for elections in 13 towns and villages in Judea: Ramallah, El-Bireh, Bitunya, Bir Zeit, Bani Zayed, Silwad, Deir Debwan, Bethlehem, Beit Jala, Beit Sahur, Hebron, Dora and Yatta.

The decision to call for polls in all West Bank towns, it was learned, was officially adopted on Friday, at a meeting of the area military governors attended by Defence Minister Moshe Dayan.

The actual election operation will be under the auspices of representatives of the Ministry of Interior, which is preparing voters' lists (of local taxpayers) eligible to vote under Jordanian law. Mr. L. Srebnik of the Judea and Samaria Command will be the official in charge of the elections, while a number of local Arab residents have been appointed as election observers, as required by the Jordanian Municipalities Act of 1955.

While it was still impossible yesterday to gauge actual popular opinion in the West Bank regarding the elections, in most of the West Bank towns, activists began the work of formulating candidate lists. In some towns the incumbent mayors and councillors were reported as having no intention of standing again. But their announced positions are not considered final.

In reply to a question, the Judea and Samaria Command spokesman, Mr. Yehuda Litani, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that army officers will take over town halls in localities that fail to nominate candidates within 14 days of the date of the expiry of the term of their present Municipal Council. He said that the authorities were standing firm by the decision to hold elections.

The vote will probably not lead to any dramatic changes in most of the 23 West Bank councils. However, certain changes are likely to result from the elections in larger towns, where the contests are looming as battles between the establishment and the younger elements.

The former are still looking to Jordan, hoping authorities there will change their attitude towards West Bank elections under Israeli auspices. The Jordanians have already attacked the plans for the new elections and have threatened to retaliate against West Bank voters who hold Jordanian passports or maintain social or economic ties with the East Bank.

Meanwhile, West Bank residents returning from visits to Amman reported yesterday that Jordanian authorities were currently questioning travellers regarding West Bankers' feelings towards elections. The Jordanians are believed to fear that the local town councils will be taken over by younger people, who often voice their hostility to Amman.

List of wanted terrorists said 'wiped clean' in four areas

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — An undisclosed number of wanted terrorists have given themselves up or were captured in the West Bank in the past few days, the Army Spokesman said here yesterday.

He said those who surrendered were interrogated and, in cases of light offences, were released. The wanted list in the districts of Nablus, Jenin, Tulkarm and Ramallah has now been wiped clean, the spokesman said.

Meanwhile, an Israel citizen, Mussa el-Assem, 30, was remanded in custody for 15 days by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday on suspicion of membership in a terror group and belonging to its "liquidation group," which murdered Gaza Strip residents suspected of cooperating with the Israel authorities. A police witness said that el-Assem had been on the wanted list for two years. On Friday he was spotted in a cafe in Jaffa by a man whom he had once tried to kill.

El-Assem claimed that he was innocent. He said he worked at Kibbutz Bnei Darom, where he lived with his family.

Black Hebrews being expelled

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Seven families of the "Black Hebrews" sect from the U.S. were yesterday arrested in Jericho and served with deportation orders. Similar orders have been issued for eight additional families; they will be served later in the week.

The Black Hebrews are alleged to be in the country illegally, having arrived in the country on one-month tourist visas which have long since expired. Those detained in Jericho are further accused of living in a Military Government area without permission.

The members of the sect are reported to have received several warnings that their visas had expired and that they were in the country illegally. The families can have three days in which to appeal to the High Court against the orders.

12,000 Russian Jews here this year alone

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Jewish Agency Executive Chairman Arye L. Pincus yesterday reported that some 12,000 Jews came to Israel from the Soviet Union in the current year.

Delivering the keynote address to the Labour Party Central Committee session devoted to the forthcoming Zionist Congress, Mr. Pincus said that the Congress would have to tackle the problems created by this wave of immigration.

He noted that 150,000 new immigrants had reached Israel in the past three and half years, and that the World Zionist Organization would have to devote efforts to helping other Jews in need, particularly in Arab lands.

Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon said the W.Z.O. and the Congress would fail in their duties if they did not rise to the challenge of the new wave of immigration from the Soviet Union and the Western world by creating a new settlement framework for this new kind of immigrant. "I do not accept the idea that they are coming here to settle only in Tel Aviv and Haifa. I do say that these new immigrants should not only come and demand things, but they should be set challenges," he declared.

Labour Zionist movement secretary Yitzhak Korn, M.K., said that the W.Z.O. must present an operational plan for Jewish education to the Diaspora communities, so as to reverse present priorities in communal life.

Latin American Immigrants Organization President Geula Havkin warned that many immigrants felt unwanted by the established Israeli community. She called for a mass voluntary movement of individuals who would establish personal contact with immigrants and make them feel wanted in Israel.

Labour Zionist Youth Chairman Uri Gordon urged the reinstatement of Zionism in the W.Z.O., by making *aliya* mandatory on Zionist leaders in the Diaspora. He warned that Jewish youth would never join Zionist groups as long as the incumbent leaders did not personally perform the first command of Zionism — to settle in Israel.

Later, there was a walk-out of younger members of the Central Committee in protest that others of their group were not given the right to address the meeting.

Hoover for better homes

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Fair to partly cloudy
Weather synopsis: A barometric ... extends from the western Mediterr... and the Balkans to the eastern Me... ranean.

	Yesterday's humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	To... fo...
Jerusalem	55	1—6	0-
Golan	84	-7—1	-4
Nahariya	64	—13	3-
Safed	83	-3—3	-2
Hacarmel	100	5—12	3-
Tiberias	48	3—13	2-
Nazareth	64	1—8	0-
Afula	56	3—12	0-
Shomron	49	2—6	0-
Tel Aviv	58	6—13	1-
Lod	46	4—12	0-
Jericho	31	6—14	4-
Gaza	84	6—14	4-
Beersheba	61	3—11	1-
Eilat	50	9—14	7-
Tiran	38	9—13	7-

ARRIVALS

The Austrian Ambassador, Dr. Ar... Agstner, and Mrs. Agstner, after... months' home leave (by Austrian ... lines).

Prof. Charles H. Best of Tor... co-discoverer of insulin, to receive ... honorary doctorate at the Heb... University on the occasion of the ... anniversary of the discovery.

Prof. Andre de Vries, Rector of ... Aviv University, after a visit to sev... European countries on a mission ... University affairs (by El Al).

The Chief Rabbi of Manchester, ... land, Rabbi Yitzhak Golditch, and ... and Mrs. Arthur Hubert, to attend ... dedication of Beit Asher, an acad... for Judaic studies in Jerusalem, ... tablished with funds donated by ... and Mrs. Hubert.

The spokesman of the Religious ... fairs Ministry, Mr. Moshe Druck, ... a visit to the U.S. where he put ... Ministry's case on current issues ... Agudat circles.

DEPARTURES

The deputy (commerce) gen... manager of El Al, Mr. Yerahmiel Shr... for Europe, to hold talks with repres... tatives of Lufthansa and Air Franc...

Cold wave strikes as rain clears up

Jerusalem Post Staff

Cold weather gripped most of the country yesterday, as the skies cleared. All three major cities came in for frigid winds, but it was at the same time generally sunny.

The weatherman last night forecast fair-to-partly-cloudy weather for today, with a slight rise in temperatures. But more cold weather is in store for tonight.

There was no more rain or snow in the upper Galilee and the Golan Heights yesterday, and Public Works Department snow ploughs cleared two routes for traffic to the Heights. Traffic on the Bnot Ya'acov-Kuneitra and Banya-Kuneitra routes was resumed, including Egged's bus service. However, the southern part of the Heights remains snowbound.

In low-lying spots along the Hula Valley the temperature dipped to five degrees below zero on several recent nights but no serious frost damage to crops and plantations was reported.

In some parts of Upper Galilee between 225 and 230 mm. of rain have already fallen — half the annual average. Farmers there are now worried about too much rain, as they see their lands fully saturated.

Our Safad correspondent reported several hundred pine trees have collapsed under the weight of snow on Mount Canaan. Paths on the mountain have been rendered unsafe by fallen telephone poles as well as fallen trees, and several water pipes have burst.

By last night, 206 mm. of rain had been measured by the meteorological station on the mountain, compared with only 141 mm. at the same period last year.

During Saturday night ground temperature on the mountain was down to minus three degree. The mountain was still covered yesterday with a coat of snow between 20 and 50 cms. thick.

In Haifa, the rain stopped falling early yesterday morning and the weather was crisp, bright and sunny all day, enabling the port to resume work at full speed.

Across the border, in Jordan, heavy rain and snow during the 24 hours preceding last night isolated the southern part of the country from the North. AFP reported from Amman that the Jordanian Interior Ministry had announced that telephone service to foreign countries was cut off for some time.

Goldmann: Stop aliya calls to Soviet Jews

LONDON (Reuter). — Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress, yesterday called on Jews throughout the world to stop urging their fellow Jews in the Soviet Union to leave for Israel.

Dr. Goldmann, in an address to the British Board of Deputies, said: "It would be a betrayal to take the view that Jews in the Soviet Union should be released to go to Israel."

Dr. Goldmann said it was a short-sighted attitude — the Jews had every right to live as a Jewish community in the Soviet Union.

He said that it was time Jews became used to living in a world where Western democracies were in the decline, and major powers such as China and the Soviet Union were gaining in world importance.

Our Political Reporter writes that Israel political leaders expressed shock at hearing of Dr. Goldmann's demand to call off the campaign for aliya from the Soviet Union.

But they withheld comment for the record pending confirmation of the former Zionist leader's words, in the hope that it will prove he was misquoted. The remarks attributed to him are sheer heresy for a Zionist, was how one prominent person put it.

However, the leader of the Herut representation on the WJC Israel Executive, Deputy Knesset Speaker Benzion Keshet, was willing to be quoted, saying that he would not be at all surprised at anything Dr. Goldmann says, and would similarly not be surprised "if he denies it tomorrow, as is his wont.

"What does surprise me," Dr. Keshet went on, "is that the Labour Party should have decided to invite Dr. Goldmann to make the keynote address at the coming Zionist Congess. I hope the Labour Party will now reconsider the matter."

As to Dr. Goldmann's remarks on the ascendancy of the Communist world, Dr. Keshet said: "I suggest he has a chat with Moshe Sneh, who made a similar error a score of years ago. I suppose it is a sign of dotage in Dr. Goldmann."

One partial denial has already been forthcoming.

In London, a spokesman for the World Jewish Congress said that Dr. Goldmann was not advocating a stoppage of emigration from the Soviet Union to Israel, which he recognized as something which would continue. Dr. Goldmann, the spokesman, said, was emphasising the right of Jews to remain and form a community within the Soviet Union.

Liberal Executive to meet in Israel

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The executive of the Liberal International is to meet in Israel in May, Liberal Party Secretary-General Reuven Hatzvi announced yesterday.

The meeting will open on May 6, with 40 leading Liberals, headed by the International's president, the Deputy Foreign Minister of Luxemburg, in attendance.

Labour leaders to take up economic scandals

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party leadership will shortly discuss the ramifications of the country's recent economic scandals and inquiries, acting Labour Party secretary-general Avraham Gevelber told the Central Committee meeting here yesterday. However, he did not set a date for the discussion.

He was responding to the demand of Mr. Berl Repetur, one of the Party veterans, for such a discussion by the Party leadership. Mr. Repetur had specially asked for the floor at the beginning of the meeting to table his demand and, in so doing, to criticize Party secretary-general Israel Yeshayahu for having declined to convene Party policy-making forums for such a discussion. He held that the Party could hardly stand aside while the entire country was discussing these matters.

ALONI CRITICIZED

He also criticized the forum organized at her home by Mrs. Shulamit Aloni, wife of the director of the State Lands Authority, which was attended by a number of prominent personalities including the brother of Deputy Finance Minister Zvi Dinstein. Mr. Repetur thought that such a forum was quite inadequate for such an issue, which should be tackled by the Party itself.

Later the Party Central Committee, by a near unanimous vote — with only 12 abstentions — adopted the compromise formula for direct mayoral elections. The proposal was outlined by Mr. Haim Zadok, M.K. The vote was necessary to amend the Labour Party proposal for direct elections which had been moved originally in 1968 by Mr. Zadok. He said he trusted the Liberal Party would support the Labour Party's compromise which entails holding direct elections in one round, with victory going to the candidate earning the most votes in excess of 40 per cent. If the issue were unresolved, the decision would be left to the Town Council which would choose between the two candidates who had earned the largest number of votes.

Soldiers seem to enjoy the snow in the foothills of Mt. Hermon. (Israel Sun)

IL1,600m. extra budget next week

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

A Supplementary Budget of IL1,600m. is to be presented to the Knesset, probably next Monday, according to official sources.

Much of it derives from the devaluation of the Israel pound last August, which has added IL900m. on both sides of the accounts — receipts in foreign exchange, and foreign debt payments.

Another IL300m. goes to increase the housing budget. Consequent on demonstrations last summer, Housing Minister Zeev Sharef put in for an extra IL450m. to build more for the local population, as against immigrants. The Government granted IL300m., of which one-third w... to cover swollen costs of the M... istry's construction programme.

Wage hikes inside the Gove... ment service account for IL200... of which IL110m. went to the sch... teachers. On the revenue side, tax... have exceeded estimates; also the ... is a saving of IL200m. on expe... diture items that appeared in th... Estimates — IL110m. clipped fro... the Development Budget, IL25... from the Ordinary Budget, a... IL60m. unspent by the Defen... Ministry.

It is already clear that the Budg... get for 1972/73 will not gain pa... liamentary approval in time for the ... new fiscal year. Estimates, tradi... tionally tabled in December, wi... not be ready until February, since ... the big cuts demanded by Finance ... Minister Sapir have not been nego... tiated yet. Preparations are there... fore under way for an interim bud... get to cover the first two month... (April and May) of 1972/73. It wi... contain a freeze of expenditur... contributing to achieve the econom... objectives desired.

NO 'REAL' CHANGE

Expenditure of the Governme... and associated institutions togeth... in the coming year should add ... to IL17,000m., if outlay is to r... main unchanged in real terms ne... year (this without taking accou... of the increased population, whi... should require an expansion of t... social services).

In fact Mr. Sapir has set ... sights at a maximum of IL16,500 ... — which means a first-ever br... getary contraction. The brunt w... fall on the Development Budg... This explains why Treasury m... are looking anxiously to the co... mittee on defence expenditure he... ed by Prime Minister Golda M... The more shaved off the milit... sector, the less will have to ... sacrificed on the civilian side.

Bank hold-up money found

RAMLE. — All the IL252,000 stolen from a bank in Rishon Lezion early this month was recovered by the police on Saturday. It was found in a deserted shack in an orange grove near Rehovot, together with the weapons used in the robbery at the Bank Leumi branch.

A diver yesterday found two other weapons used in the hold-up, hidden amongst some rocks 10 metres under the sea, off the Palmahim beach. Five men suspected of carrying out the robbery were arrested on the beach two hours after the hold-up.

Two other men suspected of complicity in the robbery were arrested yesterday. They are the owner of a tender, said to fit the description of the get-away truck used after the robbery, and his brother. *(Itim)*

Last candle ceremonies close Hanukka

Jerusalem Post Staff

President Zalman Shazar yesterday evening was host to the Jerusalem branch of B'nai B'rith, whose members came to the presidential residence for the kindling of the last Hanukka light.

A large number of rabbis, authors and public figures attended along with the B'nai B'rith guests and heard President Shazar liken the present wave of Jewish immigration from the Soviet Union to the miracle of Hanukka.

In Jerusalem, more than 400 runners from all over the country took part in the "Merutz Hagevura" competition, which this year was held for the first time in the Capital. The race, sponsored by Hapoel Sports Organization and the Jerusalem Labour Council began at Kikar Pikud Hamerkaz, and ended on Givat Hatahmoshet (Ammunition Hill), opposite Ramot Esshkol.

After the race, medals were presented to the top runners, and the eighth Hanukka light was lit at the foot of the war memorial to the men who fell there during the Six Day War.

A group of about 80 *hassidim* of the Habad movement yesterday left for army installations along the Suez Canal, to distribute the traditional Hanukka doughnuts and pancakes to the soldiers, and kindle the last candle

On Masada, a 20-year-old Soviet immigrant lit the last candle at a ceremony attended by Jewish youth from abroad, new immigrants and tourists.

At Hadassah Medical Centre in Jerusalem, Professor K. J. Mann, Director-General of Hadassah Medical Organization, and Mrs. Mann gave a reception in honour of the new immigrants among the organization's staff. During 1970/71, a total of 75 such immigrants joined, including 37 doctors, 22 nurses and 16 technicians.

AN EXHIBITION of Persian and Indian miniatures went on view at the Negev Museum in Beersheba on Saturday. The 31 works in the collection date from the 13th to 17th centuries and have been loaned to the museum by the Israel Museum in Jerusalem.

Young Arabs and Druse press M.K.s to step down

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The younger Arab and Druse politicians aligned with the Labour Party are pressing the Party leadership to oblige the four incumbent Arab and Druse Knesset Members to fulfill their two-year-old commitment to step down. The four M.K.s refuse to do so.

The two Knesset factions involved are Kidma U-Pituah (Progress and Development) and Shituf Ve'ahva (Cooperation and Brotherhood). Prior to the 1969 Knesset elections they deposited written commitments with Deputy Premier Yigal Allon, then head of the party's Arab and Druse Affairs Committee, and Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir — then party secretary-general. They promised them that if their lists did not win more than two mandates, the first candidates on the lists would step down in two years' time in order to make way for the third candidates, representing the younger educated groups in their communities.

The four M.K.s are: Nazareth Mayor Seif e-Din Zuabi, Deputy Communications Minister Jaber Muadi, Diab Ubeid and Deputy Knesset Speaker Elias Nakhleh.

The next in line after Sheikh Muadi is Mahmoud Abassi of Shfar'Am and the third candidate of Shituf Ve'ahva is Rasmi Biyadassi of Bak'a el-Gharbiya.

Apparently Mr. Allon encountered a negative reaction when he approached Mr. Zuabi on the matter.

GIRL, 7, KILLED ON BETHLEHEM ROAD

A seven-year-old girl from Bethlehem, Ziza Azaza, was run over and killed at the intersection of the Hebron and Bethlehem roads yesterday. The driver, a Bethlehem resident, was held for questioning.

AN EXHIBITION of photographs on "Immigration and Absorption 1971" opened yesterday at Artist's House in Jerusalem. The photographs were submitted in a contest sponsored by the Jewish Agency. Forty entries will be on display for 10 days. First prize in the contest went to a Brazilian model who has been living in Tel Aviv six months.

Labour 'youth' want more power for Secretariat

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party's younger leadership is pressing for changes in the Party constitution that will remove powers from the Leadership Bureau to the bigger Secretariat and the even bigger Central Committee.

So far, Michael Harish, coordinator of the "Lashiluv" younger leadership circle and the Party Youth Division, has gained 85 of the 100 signatures required for convening a special session of the Central Committee on this matter.

The initiators of the debate want a more clear-cut division of power and function between the policy-making forums. They want to stop the present trend towards concentrating more and more power in the hands of the Leadership Bureau, with the Secretariat only convened for "ceremonial purposes."

It is proposed that the Central Committee determine policy and make major decisions; the Secretariat would enjoy a "watch dog" function over the Party's representatives in the Government, the Knesset, the Histadrut, the Jewish Agency and the local authorities, and also supervise the internal operation of the Party administration; the Leadership Bureau would be responsible for the current management of the Party and for preparing guidelines for the debates of the Secretariat and the Central Committee. The technical execution of decisions and management of the Party administration would be in the hands of the Party secretary-general and the Bureau Executive.

Kol: War scares not affecting Xmas tourism

LOD AIRPORT. — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's threats to renew the war against Israel have had no effect whatsoever on Christmas tourism to Israel, Tourism Minister Moshe Kol said here yesterday as he returned from the U.S. and Canada.

As through to confirm the Minister's words, the flow of Christmas visitors began in earnest here last night, as packed airliners landed with hundreds of pilgrims.

While in the U.S., Mr. Kol met with American and Canadian travel agents, who assured him that 1972, like 1971, would be a good tourist year for Israel. He added that they also told him there have been no cancellations among pilgrims heading for Israel for the Christmas holidays—either among individuals or among organized groups.

Mr. Kol said he will now give top priority to building more hotel rooms for the expanding tourist trade, and he will try to improve service and prevent overbookings.

Cabinet hears immigration report

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The Cabinet yesterday heard a report by Immigrant Absorption Minister Natan Peled on immigration prospects for 1972. It was agreed on the suggestion of the Prime Minister to hold a full-scale discussion on the subject next week.

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